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Italy Calls For A United Balkan Front Against Aggression

ROME WARNING ANGERS BERLIN

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE THREAT OF SOVIET AGGRESSION IN THE BALKANS HAS STIRRED ITALY TO VIGOROUS DIPLOMATIC ACTION—ACTION WHICH HAS AROUSED, IT IS SAID, ANGER IN NAZI GERMANY.

Signor Mussolini, the king-pin in this diplomatic battle, is reported to be standing firm on his policy to resist, at all costs, a possible Communist advance in the Balkans.

The storm centre is the Hungarian-Rumanian border in the Carpathian mountains. It is there that Italy fears Red aggression; and it is there that a stand will be made, if necessary, against the Soviet armies.

Italian diplomacy is directed to the forming of a united front in the Balkans. That is why a conference, sponsored by Rome,

will be held early next month of the Balkan Entente Powers. That conference will almost certainly end in a pact of mutual defence against Soviet aggression.

Italy's part in trying to persuade the Balkan nations to present a united front to invasion has aroused anxiety in Berlin. There are two reasons for German alarm:—

(1) The tie-up with Russia and pressure from Moscow to counteract Italian moves in the Balkans; and

(2) The Nazis have already planned to play a leading part in settling the future of the Balkan States.

This latter reason is strengthened by reports that Rome has discovered in Hungary powerful Nazi intrigue which has for its aim a break between Hungary and Rumania. Berlin is said to have guaranteed Hungarian military aid and territorial gains at the expense of her neighbours.

CARVE-UP

OF BALKANS
In Italian diplomatic circles this Nazi intrigue is believed to be a prelude to an attempt by Russia and Germany to carve up the Balkans.

Should such an attempt be made, Italy is faced with two equally distasteful lines of action. She may knuckle under and face loss of power and prestige in the Balkans, or she may make a clean break with Nazi Germany.

According to authoritative information reaching me, Rome has warned Berlin in plain words that further interference in the Balkans will be resented.

Italy's attitude was further explained yesterday by the semi-official "Relazione Internazionale," which declared (according to Reuters):—

"Rome has no aims or schemes of aggression against Soviet Russia, but she is determined to (CONTINUED IN BACK PAGE)"

THAT'S NOT
LIKE MUMMIE
USED TO
MAKE!



Governor's Mansion Afire

DUKE, DUCHESS ESCAPE BLAZE

THE DUKE OF ABERCORN, SIXTY-NINE-YEAR-OLD GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND, AND THE DUCHESS AND THEIR THREE GRANDCHILDREN ESCAPED IN THEIR NIGHTCLOTHES WHEN FIRE BROKE

NO DATE FOR CALL-UP OF 27's YET

NO date for the registration of men of nineteen and under twenty-eight, who were included in the Royal Proclamation of January 1, has yet been fixed by the Minister of Labour.

The present intention is to issue a notice for registration, first of all, for the aged 23 group. The rest, up to 27, will be called upon to register at various periods during this year.

Everything depends on the exigencies of the war and whether there is severe fighting on the Western Front. In that event, registration and calling up may have to be expedited.

No approximate dates on which men between twenty-three and twenty-seven will be registered or called up can yet be given.

The twenty-tuos and the men who have reached twenty, who are now being called up, will probably be absorbed some time in March.

None of the young men of nineteen included in the Proclamation will be called up until they reach the age of twenty.

Nearly 2,000,000 more men are affected by the New Year Proclamation.

The children—five-year-old Lord Paisley, nine-year-old Lady Moyra Hamilton and a six-month-old baby—were carried to safety a few minutes before the smoke reached their rooms.

The staff and the Governor-General's guard fought the fire, and the Londonderry fire brigade was summoned. Valuable pictures and furniture were saved from the blazing north wing and were piled on the lawn.

After about two hours part of the roof of this wing fell in.

When fire broke out early yesterday at Canada House, the residence of Mr. D. W. Carnegie, near Dumfries the alarm was given by the barking of a dog.

Later the dog could not be found. Mr. Carnegie went into the burning building several times seeking it, and Mrs. Carnegie groped through the smoke. She could hear the dog breathing, but the flames drove her back. Later the animal was found suffocated.

We're Winning The War At Sea

THE BRITISH AND FRENCH FLEETS HAVE ENSURED FREEDOM OF THE SEAS FOR ALLIED COMMERCE AND DESTROYED GERMANY'S OVERSEAS TRADE. U-BOATS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY DEALT WITH. THE MINES DANGER HAS BEEN MET EFFECTIVELY.

'Civvy' Pilots Shoot Down Forth Raider

THREE PILOTS OF THE AUXILIARY AIR FORCE—IN PRIVATE LIFE A TIMBER MERCHANT, A SOLICITOR AND AN AUCTIONEER—HELPED TO SHOOT DOWN A HEINKEL BOMBER IN A THRILLING AIR FIGHT YESTERDAY OVER THE NORTH SEA.

The Nazi raider was trying to reach the Firth of Forth. Three of the crew were killed and one rescued.

This air battle followed the R.A.F.'s greatest night of the war, during which they—

Carried out a 1,000-miles reconnaissance flight—the finest achievement yet in the air war—dropping leaflets on Vienna and Prague;

Reconnoitred both eastern and north-west Germany; and

Kept patrol over the Heligoland Bight.

From these raids, covering every part of Germany, all our planes returned safely.

The North Sea fight yesterday provided the dramatic finale.

The three pilots of the Auxiliary Air Force spotted the Heinkel bomber diving high over the sea. Immediately they dived to the attack.

FLED INTO CLOUD

The raider, when he spotted them, dived steeply and turned east, his rear gun spitting fire.

All three British planes got in a good burst before the enemy fled into a layer of cloud.

As they came round to attack again, the British fliers saw regular R.A.F. pilots diving to attack the enemy.

The foremost regular fighter, seeing the Heinkel dive vertically for the sea, realised that this was just a manoeuvre and that the enemy still had fight left in him. So the British pilot flattened out 50 yards above the water and fired as he overtook the enemy.

"Just as I broke away," he afterwards reported, "a cloud of smoke and oil came from the enemy aircraft."

Once again the Auxiliary airmen dived at the Heinkel, which was hovering above the water with wheels down, the port engine out of action and her guns now silent.

Another burst of fire from the British machines and then as the ex-solicitor airmen was pulling out of his dive he heard in his earphones the voice of his ex-timber merchant companion.

"He's in the water," said the voice.

Out of the Heinkel a German officer climbed into a rubber boat a few minutes before the plane sank. He was picked up by a launch, and reported that the other three members of his crew had been killed.

Leaflets on Vienna—Page Sixteen

FOUR FRENCH PLANES ROUT 12 GERMANS

Paris, Saturday.

FOUR French planes yesterday took on 12 Messerschmitts in an air battle and brought down three of the enemy.

Military observers say that the German machines, flying at a great height, suddenly swooped "on the Frenchmen who were escorting a reconnaissance plane home from a photographic mission."

Though the Messerschmitts each carried a cannon and though they had a three-to-one superiority, one of them, after a series of aerobatics, was shot down in flames, and another went into a spin and crashed.

A third, forced down to 2,500 ft., raced over the German lines, but was pursued and shot to earth—A.P.

BOMBS AT 3 SHIPS: ALL MISSED

THREE instances of erratic marksmanship by German bombers and machine-guns during air attacks at sea were revealed yesterday.

Four bombs, said to be "the size of footballs," were aimed at a British lightship, but all missed.

Men from this vessel were landed yesterday at an East Coast port by a lifeboat which had gone out in response to a S.O.S. from the lightship.

One of the rescued men said: "After the bombing attempt, the plane's crew started to machine-gun us. They hit our lantern and extinguished the light. We tried to launch a little boat to row away and return after the attack, but we were again machine-gunned. Fortunately no one was hit."

A German bomber machine-gunned and bombed an Aberdeen trawler, the Flavia, from a height of only 50 ft., but without registering a hit, and the vessel returned to port.

The crew were hauling in the gear when the Flavia was off the Scottish east coast. The bomber appeared suddenly from a fog bank.

And here's another instance. Although 25 bombs were dropped at the trawler Eric Stroud (213 tons) by a German plane over the North Sea yesterday, not one hit the vessel.

"For 40 minutes the plane swooped down repeatedly on the ship, but only slight damage was caused by machine-gun fire," said the skipper.

This summing-up of the war at sea in the past four months was given yesterday in Paris by M. Campinchi, French Minister of Marine.

He revealed many striking facts about the constant watch of the Allied navies—a watch which will weigh ceaselessly in the struggle against the enemy.

The French Navy alone, he said, had sunk ten U-boats and damaged several others. They have intercepted 622,000 tons of merchandise bound for Germany.

A whole army has come from the French colonies without losing a man. Arms, equipment and supplies of all kinds have arrived at French ports safely.

Under French escort alone, more than 1,300 Allied ships and over 200 convoys have crossed the seas.

French battleships, sweeping the seas, have gone one and a half times round the world seeking pirates. French cruisers have been at sea for over 100 days at a stretch.

Thirty U-Boats Sunk

The Allies together have sent 30 U-boats to the bottom. No French warship has even been damaged.

French merchant losses were 11 ships of 55,771 tons, or 2 per cent. of the pre-war total.

Effectiveness of the measures against U-boats was shown by the following figures of total U-boat sinkings: September, 137,044 tons; October, 117,176 tons; November, 24,759 tons; December, 33,714 tons.

France did not lose a single ship in December, and losses total only one ship out of 750.

In November, when the Germans launched their surprise attacks with magnetic mines, 114,981 tons of shipping were sunk by mines. The December figure was down to 95,177 tons.

Meanwhile, as our sea traffic moved regularly, no real trade was going on by sea under the German flag except in the Baltic.

More than 400 German ships were shut up in neutral ports. Of these who tried to escape 20 were captured and 18 scuttled.

And finally, said M. Campinchi, France is building 126 warships.

EXPLOSION ON TANKER

Copenhagen, Saturday.
An explosion occurred yesterday on board the 16,400-ton Danish motor tanker Denmark, loaded with petrol, en route for a Danish port.

The cause of the explosion is unknown. The entire crew were rescued.—Reuters.

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Explosion At Blazing Shipyard

From Our Own Correspondent

Northwich, Saturday.
VIOLENT explosions at the shipbuilding yard of W. J. Yarwood and Sons, Ltd., Northwich, Cheshire, to-day shattered windows within a quarter of a mile.

Flames leapt nearly 200 feet into the air, iron girders and tons of corrugated iron were twisted into a tangled mass.

Mr. A. J. Oakley, Chief of the Northwich Fire Brigade, was lifted several feet into the air when a wall against which he was standing to direct the fire fighters was blown to pieces.

He was unconscious for some time, but on recovering he insisted on returning to his post. He was badly bruised and suffered severely from shock.

Two other officers had narrow escapes. Warning of the fire was given by William Arnold, a bus conductor, who lives opposite the works. Awakened by the glare of flames, he cycled to the fire station.

Other people in the district, awakened by the explosion, thought an air raid was in progress.

It was officially stated that there was no question of sabotage.

16 SOLDIERS HURT IN ROAD CRASH

From Our Own Correspondent

Knutsford, Saturday.
SIXTEEN of a party of 30 soldiers were taken to hospital this afternoon after a lorry in which they were being driven to a concert crashed into a tree near Knutsford, Cheshire.

Three of them suffered broken legs, the others had head wounds.

Nearly all the men were thrown into the road by the force of the impact.

Five ambulances, including three A.R.P. vehicles, rushed to the scene. Fifteen men were taken to Altrincham Hospital and one was detained in Knutsford Cottage Hospital.

NATIONS READY FOR DEVELOPMENTS

IN readiness for any important development of the war, steps are being taken by various European countries. These are indicated below

BELGIUM.—"Certain protective measures" formulated in the first days of the war have now been taken, according to a Foreign Office statement. Beyond saying that "they cover everything," Brussels officials refuse to comment.

NORWAY.—Expenditure of £20,000,000 on extraordinary military measures "to safeguard the country neutrality" was included in the Budget presented in the Norwegian Parliament yesterday.

RUMANIA.—The country is deeply interested in the reported secret meeting of King Carol and Prince Paul, Chief Regent of Yugoslavia, at a frontier town. It is thought that this will have an important bearing on the conference of the Balkan Entente (Greece, Rumania, Yugoslavia and Turkey) to be held in Yugoslavia next month.—British United Press and Reuters.

Where Nazis Can Get Plenty To Eat War Prisoners Fare Well

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

With the French Army, Saturday. NEITHER BARBED WIRE NOR WATCH-TOWERS ARE TO BE SEEN AT THE DISUSED FACTORY IN NORTHERN FRANCE, WELL BEHIND THE FIGHTING ZONE, WHERE GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR ARE INTERNED.

And there is no doubt about the way these are being cared for. Are British and French prisoners in Germany treated so well?

In the basement kitchen a prisoner bustling about the great boilers in which the dinners for the Germans and their French guardians were being cooked, showed me with pride the menu for the day.

This was:—
Pea soup; liver broiled in white wine; baked potatoes; stewed fruit and a ration of claret.

The camp commandant said that it was exactly the same food as his own men were getting. He added that the German prisoners were big eaters, more interested in quantity than quality.

In the main factory where the Germans were interned we find the prisoners hard at work building bunks and tables for large numbers of men—to be ready for any sudden rush.

They were under the command of one of their own N.C.O.s, a Messerschmitt pilot who had been brought down by a French adversary somewhere behind the Maginot Line. He spoke of his dogfight and said:

"The Frenchman had an American Curtis chaser, and so was able to out-maneuvre me, although I had the faster machine."

All the Germans appeared contented and all of them were receiving packages and mail from home promptly and regu-

larly. They said their food was excellent and their guards were kind.

In accordance with international law all the German prisoners are receiving the same pay as that given to a French soldier, but they get it, not in cash, but in the form of credits enabling them to purchase cigarettes and other supplies at the camp canteen. The same applies to officer prisoners, who receive half the pay of a French officer of the rank corresponding to theirs.

LIGHTS IN THE BLACK-OUT

THE Aurora Borealis—Northern Lights—are busy again. You may see them some night early this week.

The mystery of the heavens is one of the fascinating subjects dealt with in a magnificent new volume just published.

It is "The Marvels and Mysteries of Science," containing over 500 illustrations and over 50,000 facts.

This work is available at a low pre-war privilege price. Reservation Forms appear in the "Daily Herald" to-morrow. Apply at once, for this presentation is about to be withdrawn owing to the high demand.

ENTICED HUSBAND ALLEGATION

TWO K.C.s HAVE BEEN BRIEFED IN AN UNUSUAL "ENTICEMENT" ACTION WHICH IS DOWN FOR HEARING BEFORE A SPECIAL JURY IN THE KING'S BENCH DIVISION EARLY THIS WEEK.

The plaintiff is a young married woman, Mrs. Valerie C. R. Porter, of Porchester-terrace, London, W. She is claiming damages against her

parents—in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Renfrew Porter, of Grosvenor-sq., W., whose son she married in 1937.

The plaintiff alleges that her parents-in-law enticed her husband away from her. The suit is defended.

CANADA'S G.O.C. AT FRONT

From Reuter's Special Correspondent With The B.E.F. France, Saturday.

MAJOR - GENERAL ANDREW McNAUGHTON, General Officer Commanding the Canadian Active Service Force, continued his "look around" visit of the forward area of the British zone-to-day, preparatory to the arrival in France of the Canadian troops.

General Sir John Dill, commanding the First Army Corps, was his host at luncheon.

Canadian staff officers here with whom I have spoken are very pleased with the reception they have been given by the British Army leaders.—Reuter.

GUN MISHAP KILLS GIRL

Edith Thackham, eight, of Brookhill-rd., Bootle, Liverpool, died in hospital yesterday from gunshot wounds accidentally received.

Apparently she was in the kitchen with her brother who was cleaning a shotgun. She suffered injuries to the back and shoulders.

CONVENT TO CABARET



Jean Askev, aged eighteen years, educated in a convent, has given up her intention to become a nun, and is now being trained for cabaret instead. Here is a hairdresser giving her cabaret glamour.

Sisters Of Romulus And Remus

HALF-HUMAN WOLF-GIRLS IN HUGE ANT-HILL

DENVER (Colorado), Saturday. AFTER YEARS SPENT STUDYING HISTORICAL RECORDS OF "WILD" MEN AND "WOLF" CHILDREN, DR. ROBERT M. ZINGG HAS DISCOVERED THE MODERN SISTERS OF ROMULUS AND REMUS, BUT HE HAS YET TO FIND A REAL-LIFE TARZAN.

Dr. Zingg is associate professor of anthropology at Denver University.

The most complete case-history of a child with an animal foster mother is that of the wolf girls of Midnapore, India, Dr. Zingg records. The facts, he states, are vouched for by the Rev. J. A. L. Singh, Midnapore missionary, and he is about to publish Mr. Singh's diary on the case.

Here is the strange story: "The natives in a remote section of the North-West Provinces told the Rev. Singh of a family of wolves living in a huge ant pile (they are as big as a house in India) with two creatures that appeared to be half animal, half human," says Dr. Zingg.

"They dug into the mound and discovered the wolf den, in which were four forms.

"Two of the creatures were wolf pups. Two were children, both girls, one about 1½ year old, the other about eight.

"ATE ONLY RAW MEAT

"The Rev. Singh took them to his orphanage at Midnapore and attempted to wean them from their animal habits. The younger girl became known as Anala; the older as Kamala.

"At first they ate nothing but raw meat. Loin cloths were sewn upon them but they tore them away.

"They walked and ran on all fours. They gnawed on bones, holding them on the ground with one hand, in dog fashion.

"Gradually, the friendship of the younger child was stirred by Mrs. Singh through the medium most successfully employed in winning the friendship of animals—by feeding her.

"This younger child aided in teaching the older one, but unfortunately, before this had progressed very far the younger child died.

RAN ON ALL FOURS

"The elder child's training received a severe setback, and although she lived for nine years under the care of the Singhs, she only learned about forty words, and never came into full command of her human faculties.

"To the end, whenever she wanted to move quickly she ran by getting down on all fours and could outrun other human beings."

Dr. Zingg says the record in this case is similar to that of all the others. After being rescued, the children recovered in greater or lesser degree, but were never completely human.—Associated Press.

LINERS TO CARRY 75 PLANES EACH

Washington, Saturday. Tenders will shortly be invited for two 35,000-ton liners which could rapidly be converted into aircraft carriers, with accommodation for 75 planes each, the U.S. Maritime Commission announced today.

The ships will be the largest vessels ever to be constructed in the United States, and will be used on routes between America and the East.—Reuter.

Has 15 Children At 35, Claims World Record

HARRISMITH, O.F.S., Saturday.

MRS. SCHOLTZ, of Harrismith, Orange Free State, claims to have set up a new family record. At the age of thirty-five she has had fifteen children, all of whom are alive.

Mrs. Scholtz was married at fifteen and first gave birth to twins.

These were followed by three single children and then by two sets of twins, followed by six others born singly. There are six girls and nine boys.

Recently a Transvaal woman claimed the record, having had thirteen children before she was forty.—B.U.P.

YOUTH ADMITS FOUR MURDERS

New York, Saturday.

A YOUTH of nineteen, who says he would rather hang than spend the rest of his life in prison, has confessed that he committed three murders when he was between sixteen and eighteen.

The youth, Charles Garner, is already serving a life sentence at Jefferson City, Missouri, for murdering his 18-year-old wife, formerly Jean Collingham.

Previous murders to which he has now confessed are:

October, 1936, pushed boy of seventeen under a train in Kansas City goods yard, "because he annoyed me." Police ascribed death as accidental.

March 1936, shot and killed Alvin, brother of Jean Collingham, because he made allegations against him. Suicide was the official verdict.

Few months later Clem Hall, who suggested Garner knew something about Alvin's death, was poisoned with lead arsenic dropped into coffee. Hall's death was stated in the police records to be due to a heart attack. In view of Garner's written confession his body may be exhumed.

Twenty days after marrying Jean Collingham, Garner drowned her in a quarry because "she knew I killed her brother and Hall."—B.U.P.

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Money worries are inevitable in wartime—and "The People" can help you to cure yours.

Today on Page Twelve we publish particulars of our famous £1,250 must-be-won cash prize for Cross-words.

Every week some happy "People" reader has had the marvelous thrill of scoring a success in this fair-for-all contest.

£1,250, particularly in days like these, would be a godsend to most of us. Why don't you turn to Page Twelve and "have a go" at winning it?

In addition to the big cash prize there are unlimited awards for first and second "runners-up." The runners-up prizes offered today are remarkably attractive.

Remember that these black-out evenings give you more indoor leisure than ever.

Make use of it by doing your best to qualify for a cash prize that would make every one of your New Year worries seem very tiny ones!

Don't forget that Crossword entry vouchers—in books of eight ad. vouchers for 4s., ten is. vouchers or five 2s. vouchers for 10s.—save you time and trouble.

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CROSSWORD No. 182

In connection with Crossword No. 182, the Adjudication Committee decided that the most meritorious answers on one square (see this page) were those submitted by Mr. G. H. Brown, 45, Warren-ter, Stanbrook, Mansfield; Mrs. E. Jones, 48, Jeffries-rd., S.W.; Mrs. L. Landry, 66, Admiralty-st., Keyham, Plymouth; Mr. A. E. Loney, 189, High-rd., Lewiston, Essex; Mr. E. McGregor, 17, Garden-rd., Mansfield; Mrs. M. O'Dowd, 24, Roman-st., Leicester; Mrs. A. Watson, 53, Devonshire-st., Workington.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition, these competitors share the £1,250 first prize and will each receive a cheque for £178 11s. 6d.

Any other entrant who believes that he, or she, submitted a square eligible for a share of this prize must demand a scrutiny by not later than first post Wednesday, January 17, sending £1 scrutiny fee, copy of all squares submitted and postal order number. Envelope to be registered, marked "Scrutiny," and addressed to the Competition Manager, "The People," 6, La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.4.

No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the runner-up prizes.

1st Runners-up—63 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only two less apt and accurate answers compared with the best squares received, will be notified and will each receive a Grand Box of Seasonable Fare.

2nd Runners-up—450 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only two less apt and accurate answers compared with the best squares received, will be notified and will each receive a Box of Appetising Fare.

FRENCH OYSTERS FOR BRITAIN AGAIN

Paris, Saturday. French oysters will soon be on sale again in Britain.

M. Alphonse Rio, French Minister of Mercantile Marine, has told Senator Bertrand, Mayor of Marennes, the famous oyster port, that British importers are to be allowed to buy French oysters.

Sales will be limited to the quantity bought by individual importers between September 1, 1936, and August 31 last.—Reuter.

GIRL LEAPS FROM BLAZING BEDROOM

TRAPPED in a blazing house in Liverpool, yesterday, an eighteen-years-old girl and her mother jumped from a bedroom window and were taken to hospital suffering from burns and shock.

They were Mrs. Mary Love and Miss Vera Love, of Goldsmith-st.

Vera said her mother was awakened by smelling smoke, and her father went downstairs. He shouted to them to get dressed and to follow him as he was going to raise the alarm.

"Suddenly the house started to blaze around us," she added, "and when neighbours told us to jump we did so. I remembered nothing more until waking in hospital."

Two rooms were severely damaged.

WE CONGRATULATE YOU!

"The People" today has pleasure in offering congratulations to the following readers on the occasion of their wedding anniversaries:—

Golden—Mr. and Mrs. G. Moreton, of Albert-ter, Stoke Fields, Guildford, Surrey; Mr. and Mrs. F. Morris, Lorraine-rd., Holloway, N.; Mr. and Mrs. C. Sawyer, Linden-rd., Ashford, Kent; Mr. and Mrs. Harries, Wellesley-st., Lawrence Hill, Bristol; Capt. and Mrs. J. Plummer, The Bungalow, Braishfield, Romsey, Hants; Mr. and Mrs. Castle, Broughton-rd., Banbury, Oxon; Mr. and Mrs. E. Osborne, Croinwell-rd., Hayes, Middlesex; and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stride, Castle-st., Titchfield, Hants.

Silver—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Chambers, of Pretoria-rd., Edmonton, N.18; Mr. and Mrs. J. Jenkins, Pencarreg, Llanfyllter, Carmarthenshire; and Mr. and Mrs. B. Wilson, Servia Mount, Servia-rd., Leeds, 7; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Davey, Frechold-st., Northampton.

Also—Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hodson, of Lordet, Wolverhampton (56th anniversary).

"THE PEOPLE'S" CROSSWORD No. 182

The most meritorious answers were by competitors decided according to aptness and accuracy by the Adjudication Committee were those shown in the square below.

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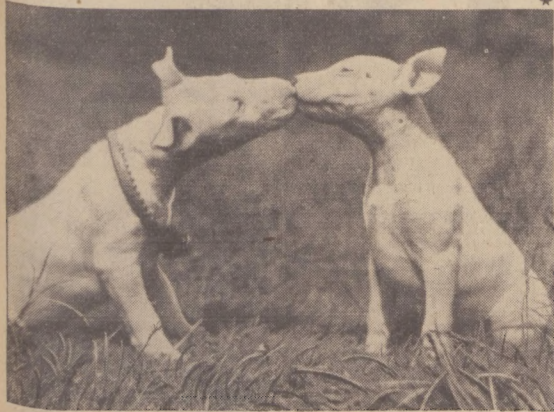
quarter of an hour while the suds warm up, then take them out. Now into the same suds put your extra-dirty whites. Dump any very grubby places and smooth in a little dry Rinso. Let this second batch soak for about twenty minutes while the suds continue to warm up. In this way you save at least half the fuel that you ordinarily use. When you take the clothes out, the water will be hot—but not nearly boiling. Yet the clothes will be dazzling. And the suds can then be used AGAIN for general cleaning.

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A Kiss for Cinderella

SOVIET SHIP
SEARCHED BY
NAVY MEN

Hong Kong, Saturday.

BRITISH naval authorities issued a communiqué today stating that they have intercepted the Russian steamer Selenga outside Hong Kong and brought her into harbour so that her cargo could be examined for contraband.

This is the first action of its kind by Britain's China fleet since the outbreak of war.

The communiqué emphasised that the measure was "of course, a normal procedure carried out daily in European waters and the Selenga is not in any sense of the word considered a prize."

Examination of the Selenga was still in progress this afternoon. It was rumoured that the ship was bound for Vladivostok with a general cargo, including tungsten, suspected to be destined for Germany.—A.P.

THIS TOWN HAS
THREE-SIDED "AXE"
FOR HALVING A.R.P.

A three-stage method of effecting 50 per cent. cuts in the A.R.P. (first aid) and A.P.S. personnel has been adopted for Richmond, Surrey.

The Mayor (Councillor H. A. Leon) yesterday announced that the "axe" will be in this order: First, those under age; second, those able to take work related by the war; and then, if necessary, to secure the required reduction, according to efficiency.

Private means will be taken into account, except that in cases of emergency those without means will have preference.

LIFEBOATS SAVE 1,010

Since the outbreak of war lifeboats have been launched at various points on the British Coast 420 times and 1,010 persons have been saved.

This was mentioned yesterday by Lieut-Colonel C. R. Southey, secretary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, at the christening of Falmouth's new £29,000 lifeboat.

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Russia—Finland—Germany—trouble and strife all over the place—but there's still a bit of peace where you would least expect to find it—somewhere in the kennels.

Mystery Of New Russian Peace Moves

Copenhagen, Saturday.

MYSTERIOUS RUMOURS THAT RUSSIA WANTS AN EARLY PEACE WITH FINLAND SPREAD RAPIDLY THROUGH SCANDINAVIA TODAY.

'DROME SHOTS IN BLACKOUT: MAN SOUGHT

POLICE searched the neighbourhood of Hendon Aerodrome early yesterday after shots were heard.

An Air Ministry military policeman in Aerodrome-rd. saw the dim figure of a man running on the railway embankment. He gave chase, but lost the man in the blackout.

He raised the alarm at a police-box.

A few seconds later, an infantry guard at the aerodrome gates reported that he had heard the sound of running footsteps and had seen a man five yards away. The guard challenged, but the man ran on and the sentry fired twice.

Flying Squad police searched the district. Cars were also stopped.

Blue Book Will Unmask Stalin RED PLOT FAILED ATTEMPT TO DOUBLE-CROSS BRITAIN

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

HOW STALIN TRIED TO DOUBLE-CROSS BRITAIN AND FRANCE DURING LAST YEAR'S NEGOTIATIONS FOR AN ANGLO-RUSSIAN PACT WILL BE REVEALED THIS WEEK.

A Blue Book, which is to be published by the British Government, will tell the inside story of the talks.

It will reveal that during the negotiations the Russians tried to learn the secrets of British and French rearmament and asked to be told all about strategic war plans drawn up by the Allied General Staff.

Fortunately, our diplomats and the members of our military mission were too astute.

The Russians learned nothing which was worth passing on to the Germans, with whom they were simultaneously holding secret meetings.

The Blue Book will also reveal that throughout the negotiations the Russians were demanding the right to occupy Poland, Finland, Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia as part of their price for lining up against Germany.

ANGRY SCENES

It will disclose that there were a number of angry scenes between Sir William Seeds, the British Ambassador, and the Russian Commissars, and that at an early stage in the negotiations it became apparent that the Russians could not be trusted.

Stalin was so conscious of the inferiority of his navy, army and air force that he was afraid to risk war against Germany.

Several of his Commissars—while ostensibly denouncing Germany as the arch-enemy of World Communism—were in touch with Herr von Ribbentrop and Dr. Goebbels.

She Will Kiss The Mayor Today

LOVES THE BOYS AT 100

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

GRANDMA ANNIE OXER is a hundred today—and she still loves the boys! "There now," she said, planting a hearty kiss on my mouth and giving my hand a squeeze, "I bet you've never been kissed by a young lady of a hundred before."

I must admit that it was as experienced a kiss as I have enjoyed for many a day.

Grandma, who lives at Philip-rd., Peckham, S.E., looked dazling in a crimson shawl, a gaily coloured frock and an elegantly beaded headress when I called yesterday.

Forty years ago her doctor gave her a few days to live. Instead, he has been dead now for 20 years, while his patient is still full of beans!

NEVER FELT BETTER

"Look at me," she chuckled. "Never felt better in my life, and still able to do a spot of housework if my daughter would let me."

However, she will be allowed to clean a few pots and pans today as a special birthday treat.

Often she rises at seven, and not even the pleading of her daughter will coax her to bed before ten.

Today the old lady will enjoy a visit from the Mayor and Mayoress of Camberwell.

In the hall I said jokingly to her daughter: "I seem to have gone down pretty well with your mother."

"Oh, all the lads do," was the reply. "She has already kissed two local newspaper reporters and a couple of Fleet-st. photographers; and she has bet me she'll kiss the Mayor tomorrow, even though his wife will be around..."

Hmph! Not so good!



Mrs. Annie Oxer reading a congratulatory telegram from the King.

OUR WARSHIPS AID 'QUAKE VICTIMS

Istanbul, Saturday.

Two British warships have disembarked at Alexandretta 650 tons of medical supplies and foodstuffs for the benefit of sufferers in the Anatolian earthquakes.—Reuter.

HENS WANT BIGGER RATIONS

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

WHEN PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES THIS WEEK M.P.S WILL BE TOLD ABOUT THE PLIGHT OF THE POULTRY INDUSTRY.

Members for many country districts, led by Mr. Rhys Davies, M.P., speaking for the Lancashire poultry breeders, will complain to the Minister of Agriculture that the cocks and hens are not getting their proper rations.

The result is that:—Enormous numbers of them are being killed off.

Those that are being allowed to live are not laying as many eggs as usual. Thousands of poultry breeders are facing ruin.

Many can only obtain one-third of the food that they require for their birds, and that at considerably increased prices.

They allege that the Controllers of Feedings Stuffs are hoarding supplies. Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, the Minister of Agriculture, is to be urged to give the matter immediate attention.

WHITE-COAT
WEDDING

White fur coats, reminiscent of those worn by Finnish soldiers, displayed by two small pages at the wedding, yesterday, of Miss Cook to Mr. W. P. Courtald at Holy Trinity, South Kensington.

POLICE QUEST FOR
GELIGNITE STICKS

Wolverhampton, Saturday.

Wolverhampton police are anxious to trace 40 sticks of gelignite, 16 detonators and two lengths of fuse, used for blasting purposes, which are missing from a private store in the Old Heath district.

Children had been seen playing in the neighbourhood of the store, and it is possible that, unaware of the dangerous nature of the explosives, they may be responsible.

Sacrifices From All SIMON WARNS THE NATION

Glasgow, Saturday.

DRASTIC NEW MEASURES ARE TO BE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT TO AVOID INFLATION AND THE RISK OF A DISASTROUS POST-WAR SLUMP. EVERY CLASS OF CITIZEN WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE SACRIFICES.

This warning was given by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he spoke at St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, to-day.

"Once the ordinary British citizen understands the need for further action," Sir John declared, "he will be the very first to support it and demand it."

Sir John pointed out that unless the country consumed fewer goods prices would go up. The danger of this would be increased if there were more money to spend. The result would be an alternative rise in wages and prices, and the final crash with unemployment and slump.

He revealed that both the burdens of the Budget and rationing were in part intended as instruments for putting the brake on consumption of goods.

LORD HAW HAW

After a brief review of Hitler's succession of broken promises and acts of aggression, Sir John commented, "In spite of Lord Haw Haw, Germany by this time knows on which side lies the moral support of the world."

The Nazi system was based on the view that human beings as such had no rights and that nothing mattered but the development of the race and the success of the State.

"That is the quintessence of tyranny,"

Sir John continued: "Let no one suppose that the war can be carried on to the only conclusion which free men and women would tolerate without incurring immense burdens and making heavy sacrifices."

He recalled that the Prime Minister had warned us that a grimmer time is coming.

There could be no better service to our democracy than to tell them the truth as to the sacrifices we must face. "Nothing is more certain than that,

when this is thoroughly understood, these sacrifices will be willingly made." The purpose of rationing was twofold. It was not that we were struggling, like some beleaguered city, to avoid starvation.

Rationing was a means of securing that consumption was not greater than present circumstances justified and a reasonable control for reducing consumption was essential.

Sir John stated that in addition to these three methods—taxation, promotion of savings, and rationing—of restricting consumption, providing funds for the conduct of the war and limiting the competition of too much money for little goods, we should certainly have to adopt other methods of various kinds.

Sir John briefly pictured the consequences of the inflation which occurred in the last war—the prodigious slump and immense unemployment.

By acting more wisely this time we might hope to avoid these consequences, or at any rate strive to reduce them.

INFLATION

The Chancellor described inflation as arising when money multiplied more rapidly than the goods and services which that money sought to buy.

Concluding, Sir John said: "The medicine may seem drastic and unpleasant, but the disease for the prevention of which it is designed would be more unpleasant still."

"I conceive my bounden duty to my countrymen at this time to be to tell them fearlessly the truth as I see it."

"I have not the slightest doubt, as we face this situation together, as Britishers are accustomed to do, we shall come through these hard and trying days and accomplish the purpose which we have and lay the foundations for firm peace. But it must be done together."

LIFT THE BURDEN OF WAR
OFF YOUR SHOULDERS!

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MONEY
New
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DON'T you want to keep yourself and your family confident and happy in these black-out times?

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So let Bile Beans make 1940 your year for healthy slimming.

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Our new Silver Be-Lite Model advertisement is being introduced in this week's reduced price, viz. 25/-.

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Mrs. J. M. of Lincoln, writes: "At the beginning of last year I resolved to take Bile Beans every night. I never made a better resolution—it was well worth keeping. I now possess a slim figure, a clear skin and radiant health. I shall keep the same resolution again and make certain of another year of perfect health."

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Even in hard water you'll have no trouble with scum when you're using new Persil. So you'll know that rinsing is easy now—and perfect, too. Whites are whiter than ever!

Betty Blue Picks Winners from The Wool Pool

STANDARD suits, wool pool, the price we have to pay for anything with wool in it, has made us all realise that it is going to be both scarce and dear, and wool gathering has been the big feature in the sales that are now in progress.

Once catch your wool, says I, let's make sure of keeping it. Wool needs caring for, like a baby. Careful wearing, careful washing and watchful storing—especially the latter—for one of the few living things that seem to thrive on black-outs are moths.

Woe betide anyone who has put away any wool garment that isn't quite clean; a pair of socks or a vest that have been worn once or a pull-over that is nearly new—the moths, believe me, have got them earmarked for a breeding ground already.

So go through your wardrobes and cupboards. Wash them out with disinfectant and line with newspaper. Moths don't like the ink. If you have any "civvy" clothes to put away, hang them out in the cold night air, then give them a good brushing and turn the pockets inside out; then put a moth ball in each and pin newspaper over them before you hang them back.

Care in the washing of wool garments will prolong their lease of life, for, being of animal fibre, they do not like rubbing or very hot water.

Have the water at a temperature of 90 to 100 degrees F. Shrinkage is caused either by friction or wrong water temperature, or by both. Woolen garments, too, tend to lose their shape unless treated carefully in washing and drying.

A practical way of preventing cardigans, jumpers and pullovers from losing their shape while drying is to tack a piece of tape or elastic from shoulder to shoulder, then dry flat on a towel.

If this is too slow a process, at least partially dry in this way, and then pin to the towel and hang on the line for the final drying.

There is no reason why woollens should not be put through a wringer to get rid of surplus moisture. But this must be done carefully and gently, never allowing them to stretch.

APPLE peelings make a good sauce. You can use it with cold meat or suet puddings. Boil peelings in water with a little salt and a few cloves. Add a tablespoonful of golden syrup to half-pint liquid. When boiling add a dessertspoonful of cornflour mixed with a little cold water. Cook for a few minutes longer, stirring all the time.

BAY-LEAVES: Put one in beef or veal steaks in soups, with boiled pork or tongue, with rice puddings, with milk for custard.

COTTON-WOOL: Keep a packet handy. Its uses are manifold. Cleanse your skin with it morning and night; make eye-pads, soaked with a good eye lotion, to relieve eyestrain; after a footbath, soak cotton-wool in eau-de-Cologne and pat the feet gently to stimulate circulation and yet keep them cool and fresh.

Five shillings has been awarded to the following readers for hints beginning with D. S. F.

DRIPPING from mutton, flavoured with a teaspoonful of Bovril while the joint is roasting, will have a nice beef taste. Sir the Bovril well in the dripping. Miss Harris, Fossebridge, nr. Cheltenham, Glos.

ELASTIC frequently needs to be replaced in underwear. An easy way is to sew one end of the new elastic to one end of the old and pull. The old comes out as the new goes in. Mrs. A. Hornley, 10, Oxford-av., Muttley, Plymouth.

FOR strengthening heels of hand-knitted socks: Knit one, slip one all along the front side of heel, ending with knit one. Then pull every stitch on the back row of heel. Continue until heel is ready to turn. This is stronger and looks much better.

BETTY BLUE'S SALE BARGAIN

WE are all doing a bit extra these days, and are longer on our feet and have less time to look after ourselves. But there is one item in our wardrobe we mustn't neglect, and that is our corsets. Not only will well-fitting corsets give support to our figure, but will save many an ache and pain, and will help clothes to wear longer.

Hence my pick of the sales as the investment for a woman just now, especially for the woman who is a little on the generous side, is a Twilit back-lacing corset. Back-lacing because it is easily adjusted, and added to this is an underbust for extra abdominal support. It is made in tea-rose coutil in waist sizes 24-36 inches. But here's the best bit: its usual price is 17s. 11d., but whilst the present stock lasts—which won't be long—it is reduced to 9s. 9d. post free.

The store has very kindly reserved some for my readers, so if you would like me to choose one for you I shall be pleased to do so, but all money (except cheques) and P.O.s should be registered to "Betty Blue, The People, Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2."

There's a brasserie to complete the foundation. It has built-up shoulders, buttons down the front, with crossed cords at the back for adjustment, in bust sizes 32-44 inches, reduced from 48. 6d. to 38. 6d. post free.

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"YES, how did you manage to get the plan of the Drakly Diamond hiding-place?" replied Bill.

Paul and Mary, listening intently at the door, waited impatiently for the other man to speak.

"It was easy," replied Duke. "While I was in America I met a wealthy Englishman named Sir Walter Stetson, on a tour with his wife."

"Well, one day I heard them talking about the Drakly Diamond. He said that he had decided to stay in America for a year or two, and as he did not like the idea of



Household ABC.

nicer than knitting a thread of wool or cotton in, as sometimes this is not a perfect match.—Mrs. Tovey, 101, Drove-rd., Swindon, Wilts.

Prizes will be awarded for the best hints beginning with G. H. I. Entries must be written on postcards (not enclosed in envelopes) addressed to "Mrs. X. c/o 'The People', 72, Long Acre, London, W.C.2 and should reach this office not later than Wednesday, January 17, 1940.

JOINING wool between a ribbed piece and plain knitting sometimes presents difficulties. The size smaller needles and knit the two strands of wool double until the original strand is used up. Then continue knitting with larger size needles.

KEEP a tin in the larder containing flavoured. You'll be able to ring the changes in your restricted menus by adding a different flavouring daily. Cloves, nutmeg, spice, a few herbs, etc.

LABEL all tins and jars in larder and cupboards distinctly. When you have to economise in lighting, you will only strain your eyes and waste time by trying to read faded labels.

MEAT: Steaming and stewing are more economical ways of cooking, as all the juices are kept in the meat, and the gravy produced contains the maximum of nourishment.

NOTE that the following flavourings combine well: Lemon and vanilla; almond and vanilla; cinnamon and chocolate; chocolate and vanilla; caramel and almond; orange and almond.

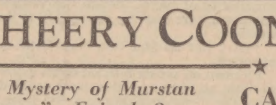
"THE PEOPLE" PAPER PATTERN SERVICE

No. 545 MOTHER'S OVERALL

DESIGNED for the over-forties is the overall sketched for you this week. A practical style, as both long and short sleeves are included in the pattern, also neck is adaptable and can be made up with revers or fastened high to throat. Cut on easy-fitting lines, and the wrap, this overall can be slipped on like a coat over your dress.

Four sizes for your choice—36, 40, 44 and 48-in. bust, with long sleeves, takes 5½ yds. 36-in. bust, with short sleeves 4½ yds. of 36-in. fabric are required.

The store has of No. 545, with diagrams and full instructions for making up, is obtainable from "The People" Paper Pattern Service, 222-5, Strand, W.C.2, and 7d. post free. Postal orders should be crossed & Co. When ordering, state No. 545 and address in BLOCK LETTERS. You will need the stencil for reference.



CHEERY COONS' CORNER

"The Mystery of Murstan Manor"—Episode 3

the diamond being left at Murstan Manor all that time, he had decided to come and get it and take it back to America.

"Come on, let's start the search," said Bill impatiently, and the two men moved toward the door.

DASH FOR SAFETY

Paul and Mary turned and ran as fast and silently as they could. They must get out of Murstan Manor before the thieves saw them. Then they could talk over what to do to prevent the two men setting the precious Drakly Diamond.

They were halfway along the great hall when suddenly Mary slipped and fell heavily. She would have given anything not to cry out, but she could not help it. "The thieves turned into the hall and came running towards them."

"Quick! I'll carry you over my shoulder," said Paul, but it was too late. The

COULD WE HAVE A NICE DINNER FOR DEPARTY FLO? HERE AM SIX OX !!

In The Soup

By "HOUSEWIFE"

THERE is nothing better than a nice bowl of soup to fill up the corners and keep you fit. What is your family favourite? Kidney, onion, vegetable, fish or mixed?

Send your recipe for a good family and inexpensive soup on a postcard. Five shillings will be paid for all published recipes. They should arrive not later than Wednesday, January 17, and be addressed to "Housewife," "The People," Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2.

Here are last week's prize-winners:—

JAM SOUFFLE

REQUIRED: make this very popular dessert. 1 small tin Libby unsweetened milk, 3 tablespoonsful of jam, a pint jelly tablet.

Be sure that the jelly is of same flavour as jam or one that will go well with it. Turn the milk into large basin and whip it well until it triples its quantity.

Make up the pint jelly with ½ pint of water. Allow to cool a little and then stir in jam. When on the point of setting whip into milk. The colder the jelly is the lighter the souffle.

Whip all together well and turn into wetted basin. Leave about 2 hours to set. This will make eight large portions of a really nice sweet. The jelly is not too hot it will not be so good.—Mrs. E. Green, Restlands, Water-lane, Storrington, Sussex.

APPLES IN BLOOM

CORE bright red apples and fill the holes with strawberry jam. Place in baking dish and fill space with small apples with rice that has been boiled 15 minutes. Cover and bake for 15 minutes, remove cover and bake for 15 minutes longer.

Serve with fruit sauce ½ cupful margarine, ½ cupful powdered sugar, ½ cupful strawberry jam, white custard, 1 egg Cream margarine, add sugar gradually, add egg (beaten until stiff) and beat well, add jam slowly. Beat until cream.—Mrs. L. H. Farnham, 158, Eskine-rd., Wrythe-lane, Sutton, Surrey.

CUSTARD PIE

TAKE some stale bread, soak in hot water and squeeze dry. Mix 1 dessertspoonful of custard powder in a cup of milk. Mix with soaked bread.

Well grease a pie dish and line with any kind of jam. Put mixture in and dot top with pieces of Stork margarine. Bake in moderate oven.

This dish is delicious either baked or boiled.—Mrs. Waugh, 49, Essex-rd., Barking, Essex.

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INGREDIENTS: 4 lb. bread and margarine, ½ lb. shredded, 2 eggs, 1 small cupful jam, ½ teaspoonful baking soda, ½ teaspoonful mixed spice, milk to moisten.

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General's Tears FOR a BOY HERO

By PIERS ENGLAND

HE sat cross-legged like a tailor in the straw that covered the barn floor, writing carefully in a little leather-bound diary.

He was a young man, dark and handsome, with the look of a dreamer about him. His riding boots were caked with mud, and his face, lit by the dull, flickering flame of an old oil lamp, looked drawn and pale.

It was quiet in the barn, save for the occasional slithering progress of a rat through the straw or the restless whinny of a horse as it was led to water outside.

The day had been one to remember, a day of wild and desperate hand-to-hand fighting, for the Germans had launched their mighty Somme offensive, an attack into which a million men were flung in an attempt to break the Allied lines.

But there had been nothing new in it for the officer who sat writing in the draughty barn, for, despite his youth, he was a veteran of many encounters.

"It was a glorious battle," he wrote. "I shall never forget it, but still I cannot get that V.C. in that simply worded, very human diary entry were contained all his hopes and dreams.

Ever since he had come to France with Lord Strathcona's Horse from Canada, this young cavalry officer had wanted above all else so to distinguish himself in action that he would win the coveted Victoria Cross.

Of his courage there was no doubt. In four years he had brought him promotion from the ranks, the adoration of his men and the respect and esteem of his superiors; but still the purple ribbon he longed to wear eluded him.

He had frankly confessed his ambition. When his commanding officer, Major-General Seely, asked him jokingly whether he would like to win the V.C., he had replied: "That is my dream, sir."

AMONG all that gallant company to be awarded the V.C. during the last war, young Gordon Flowerdew was surely the most modest. Though to gain the coveted bronze cross was his confessed ambition, he thought himself "not brave enough." The story of how his dream came true—though Fate denied him the thrill of having the decoration pinned to his breast—was told many years later by his former commanding officer, the present Lord Mottistone. And there were tears in his eyes as he spoke of this boyish hero whom he called "the greatest gentleman I ever knew," and whose story here told is one of the most inspiring in the annals of British arms.



high standard that you do not win such an honour until you are dead."

And how grimly prophetic those words proved to be! It was, indeed, shortly after this conversation, and only four days after young Flowerdew had made that last "I shall I cannot win that V.C." entry in his diary, that his great opportunity came.

The war, although no one then realised it, was drawing towards its close. On the Somme the Germans were making a desperate bid for victory.

General Seely and his men were at Moreuil Ridge, the scene of that epic and decisive battle on March 30, 1918, that turned the whole fortunes of war.

Perilous Attack

The slope leading up to the crest of the ridge was thickly wooded and held by a strong force of Germans, and it was decided that the only way to dislodge them was for one party to attack from the front while another attempted to break through and fall upon them from the rear.

To Lieutenant Gordon Flowerdew fell the task of leading the squadron chosen for the perilous job of getting across the ridge to make the rear attack.

It was a desperate undertaking, one from which even the bravest of men might have shrunk, but the young officer accepted it gladly.

He swung himself up into the saddle and a few minutes later they moved off. As they approached the wood he drew his sword, and, urging his horse from a canter into a gallop, he thundered along a full hundred yards ahead of his men.

A hall of fire greeted them, but in a few seconds they were among the trees cutting and thrusting like demons. The Germans broke before them and they charged on up the slope and over the ridge, although now there were many empty saddles.

On the far side Flowerdew wheeled and brought his men into line. They were in grave peril, cut off from their battalion behind the enemy lines, and they could see heavy reinforcements being rushed up to the wood to prevent them breaking through again.

Inspiration To All

But the young officer was laughing as he turned to his men. Standing in the stirrups, he flourished his sword.

"Come back again, lads!" he shouted. And then, with a wild cry of "Charge!" he was off again, galloping hell for leather away out in front of them, a lone, brave figure who could not help but inspire the faintest heart.

He was first among the enemy, and, surrounded and outnumbered, he fought with reckless abandon.

He was shot, first through one leg and then the other, but still his long sword flashed. Then a German, firing at point-blank range, struck him in the chest.

Simultaneously his horse went down under him, and, as he fell, another bullet struck him.

Yet his spirit remained undaunted. His strength was fast ebbing, but he managed to raise himself on one elbow and hold his sword aloft as he died.

And loud and clear above the din of battle his voice rang out: "Carry on, boys! We've won!"

DRAMA OF A SHY V.C.

battle his boyish voice rang out: "Carry on, boys! We've won!"

This died a hero, and the tragedy of it was that he should have fallen in the moment of his greatest and most glorious achievement.

The Victoria Cross he won for that heroic charge through Moreuil Wood was handed to his mother, but it was not until many years after that the world heard the full story of his bravery.

It was then revealed by his old commanding officer, Major General Seely, who at a dinner in London read extracts from Lieutenant Flowerdew's diary, which he called "The Diary of a Gentleman at War."

"Carry On, Boys!"

Tears streamed down his cheeks as he told in a choking voice of how the young hero rode to his death.

"As I galloped through I heard a terrific fusillade on the German side of the wood, and my heart was heavy when I thought of my brave Flowerdew obviously going back into the middle of the German army," he said.

"After three-quarters of an hour of the most desperate hand-to-hand fighting I have ever encountered we captured the whole position."

"I asked a corporal what had happened to Flowerdew, and he said: 'Oh, sir, we should not have won without him. He galloped a hundred yards in front of us and, waving his sword, told us to come on. We went on.'"

"The Germans were advancing in single file. The moment they saw us they turned and fired. We killed a great many of them, but when we got through to the far side Lieutenant Flowerdew said: 'Come back again, lads.'"

"We came back so that we might get to the eastern side of the wood. Lieutenant Flowerdew gave another great shout and we galloped after him. A German stood up and shot him through both sides. Another German shot him through the chest and his horse collapsed beneath him."

"He shouted out as he lay dying, so loudly that all could hear, 'Carry on, boys! We have won!'"

Of the original ninety men led by the young hero into the wood only twenty-five survived, but those that died, died gloriously and not in vain.

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Canada To France

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He was there when war was declared, and he enlisted and crossed to France with one of the first batches of young Canadians to answer the call.

For nearly four years he fought on various battle fronts, rising to the rank of lieutenant, religiously keeping his diary in which he scribbled in all sorts of odd, muddy, and very often grim corners of the war-ravaged countryside.

Only once was he wounded, suffering a slight injury to one hand which put him on the sick list for a few weeks.

All the time he was away from the front he was fretting to be back. Yet, for all his love of the thrills of battle, he still remained the complete romantic, rather than the hard-bitten warrior.

Meeting him in billets behind the lines, you could never have imagined him leading a charge with that reckless courage that made him the idol of his men.

Animals and kiddies adored him. He possessed that indefinable something that seemed to win their confidence.

Soon after his return to the front General Seely, who was following the career of the young officer on his staff with great interest, spoke to him about his ambition.

"Well, Flowerdew," he said, "you have not won your V.C. yet."

"No, sir, not yet," he replied gravely. "Valour seems to have reached such a

LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

WAR-TIME'S LONELY HEARTS

By the People's Friend

In every street in every city, in every town and village and tiny hamlets, there are homes upon which the blight of loneliness has descended, homes in which hearts are aching for the sight of absent faces and the sound of familiar voices.

The separation of husband and wife, the parting of sweet-hearts, and of parents and children—these are causing great sorrow.

TO be alone, to come back to an empty house that once held those dear to one, to live for the sound of the postman's knock, can sap the bravest spirit.

For loneliness is so hard to face because one must do so alone, because there is no one to whom you can turn for solace.

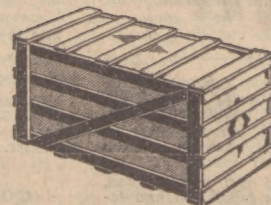
And so to those who have been left I want to offer some words of comfort.

Try to find new companions. Somewhere in your neighbourhood—perhaps in the house next door—there is another lonely heart waiting for friendship's outstretched hand.

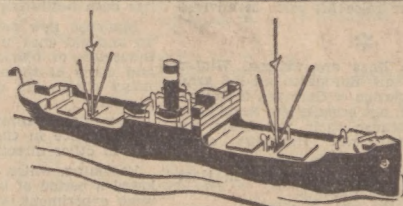
SEEK them out. These are not times for silly conventions. Go about and sow the seeds of kindness and see what a rich harvest you will reap!

New friends won't take the place of old, the companionship of others won't fill that void created by the absence of husband, sweetheart or son—but they will help you to tread that lonely road with a lighter heart.

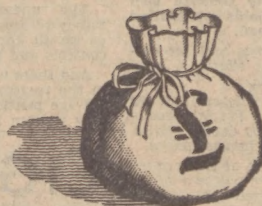
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"Man o' the People" writes on Things That Matter To You And Me Let's Talk it Over

to reorganise it, as they now intend to do, upon a national basis. Nevertheless, the "grimmer phase of warfare" now to be expected is likely, in this writer's opinion, to threaten civilian pockets and stomachs more than civilian lives.

We have got to pay for this war and pay as we go. That is the truth which a good many people have not yet faced, and it is on this score that the Government may have failed to tell enough.

THINGS have greatly changed since 1914. We started that war with enormous foreign investments and, above all, immense credit enabling us to borrow abroad.

This time our foreign investments are smaller, and America, the richest nation in the world, has stopped giving credit. We can buy what we want there, but we must pay cash and carry the goods ourselves.

It follows that we must maintain our export trade, and that we can no longer afford to buy from abroad anything but necessities. And that means in its turn that our standard of living at home must inevitably decline.

THE sooner we face these hard and unpleasant facts, the better it will be for us. Thrift and self-denial now will not only enable us to pay our way, but will also help to avoid sharply rising prices, inflation, and, after the war is over, another terrible slump.

Already the cost of living has risen two and fourpence in the pound since the war began, and wages—in all the "lucky" trades and industries, but not in the others—have gone up too.

It would be fatal to allow wages and prices both to rise unchecked in that "vicious spiral" which led to so much hardship and such cruel injustice in the last war. All of us can help to avert this danger, but it is the Government's duty to set the country an example in economy and efficiency—and in justice.

SO far—let's face it—the Government's lead in these three things has been hesitating and uninspiring.

Immense new departments have been set up and old ones greatly increased. Tens of thousands of officials have been appointed, and many of them were not necessary and many others are drawing pensions as well as salary.

There has been muddle and waste and gross extravagance in the requisitioning of hotels and in other directions.

Rationing, which has only just begun, followed a period of inexcusable hesitation and weak experiment, and present price controls are nothing like enough to "peg the cost of living."

The unemployment problem still obstinately refuses to solve itself, and profiteering, as we all know, is rampant even in spite of controls and penalties.

And there is little justice and less humanity in the treatment of the unemployed and the old-age pensioners, that sad army which can only tighten its belt when prices rise.

CIGARETTE PAPERS

SOME people," says an article on diet, "find the kipper a most exciting dish." And others find it rather flat.

"What shall I do," asks a correspondent, "if I am without butter and margarine?" Consider yourself in a jam.

Coffee in Germany is now being made out of acorns. It wouldn't be my cup of tea!

TODAY'S PROVERB However hard our fate may be, However cold the day, Cheerfulness shines out like a sun. To melt our cares away.

LITTLE ALFIE ON "BEAKY'S PANTOMIME"

Being out here in the country, we can't go to see our usual pantomime in town, and so we're having to do one of our own. But seeing we've started term again in the village school we shan't have much time for rehearsing.

This is going to be the queerest pantomime I ever saw, because who do you think is going to produce it? Old Beaky himself. That's a bit of a staggerer for you. He's promised to produce a pantomime to raise munny for the Victoria Comforts-for-the-Troops Fund.

Coo, lummy, fancy Beaky as a producer! Come to that, fancy having a producer at all. I mean, in the old pantomimes that me and Morris used

to get up in our wash-house, we didn't have a producer or any nonsense of that sort.

But now we have to learn our parts out of a thing called a scrip, instead of making it up as we go along (which is what we like). And we have to stick to our parts all the time, instead of swapping round in a way that we like.

In fact, we have to do what we're told, instead of doing what we like. Father says (sarcastically): "Freedom is in peril!"

All the same, except for the producer, it's not a bad pantomime. Old Beaky has made it up from the old tale of the Babes in the Wood, and I must say he has done me and Morris proud by giving us the parts of the Two Robbers. "You're just the boys for the parts," he said, "because you're the two wickedest persons I know."

Still, I reckon me and Morris to be saying that, and we've both pleased with our parts. We have made ourselves sun wooden swords to fight our jewel with, and in order to smugle these words into school to practise at playtime, we've had to slip them down the legs of our trousers, so we've always had a stiff leg apiece!

A Man o' the People

By The Lounger

We've made such a success of our parts at rehearsal, that Beaky (paying a rare compliment) said we were like a couple of old pros, and when I said he ought to make our parts bigger and cut out the Babes altogether—they're only a nuisance anyway—he laughed and said that proved we were a couple of old pros, all right.

So I think the panto will be a big success, except for 2 things. There's the Vicker, who is going to play the Demon King, but he's so short-sighted that he's bound to knock all the scenery over, because Beaky won't let the Demon King wear his glasses. And there's a lot of soppy girls from the village school, who are going to be fairies, the giggling little monkeys. But Father says I mustn't grumble. Fairies, he says, are definitely box-office!

NIGHT LUTY SONG They say half the world doesn't know how the other half lives, and before the war I didn't know much about night duty. Now that I go out at nights on A.R.P. duty, I've a new respect for all night workers—except myself.

THE WORLD ON PARADE So Pop Goes The (War) Weasel!

WEALTH, like a never-ending stream, pours day and night into the hungry furnace of war. U.S. authorities estimate that by the end of March Britain and the Empire will have spent at least £1,300,000,000, and Germany's bill since September 2 will total £3,000,000,000. France, up to the end of December, spent approximately £550,000,000.

In effect then the war is costing the Nazis and the Allies some £25,000,000 a day with Germany, it seems, as the biggest spender. But these figures may be wrong. Only Hitler and a few of his intimates know exactly what the cost of Nazi ambition and aggression is.

Admission

HITLER has admitted that in last six years the building of his war machine totalled, or would total, £9,000,000,000. That makes £1500 millions a year. By a decree of Sep-

Nature in the raw, fear no foe, and used to hardships of all kinds, and are second to none for pluck and bravery. In the near future we are likely to hear more of them as "Dare-devils of the Air."

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

SCOTTISH law of 1288 enacted that all women of high or low estate had the right in a leap year "to pop the question," and if any bachelor replied in the negative he had to pay a pound?

Great Britain consumes half the world's annual production of tea, which works out at an average per person of five cups per day or ten pounds per year?

Towards the end of the last war there were more than three million munition workers, representing an expansion compared with 1914 of 6,400 per cent?

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DON'T EVER LOSE HEART

DON'T ever lose heart, though everything seems to go wrong, for out of suffering and pain, Life fashions her noblest song. And out of Life's direst needs, Inventions' answers are born, and always above Disaster, Hope Blows her Golden Horn.

Don't ever lose heart, though surrounded by things that you fear, just do whatever you can, the small duty that's always near. For when Life deals us a blow, our soul the challenge takes, for the things that beat down our hearts, are things which the soul remakes.

Don't ever lose heart, though great the temptation to drift, and leave the man with enough, the load which he never can lift. But out of travail that's deep, comes new blessing in disguise, AND OUT OF THE WORLD'S UPHEAVALS, A FINLAND SHALL EVER ARISE J. M.

tember 22 an additional £1,500 million was provided for the financial year ending March 31 next.

Some authorities say such figures are absurd. But, truth is, no one can gauge Germany's financial position. Whole resources of State have been geared to military machine and there has been so much juggling with taxes, wages prices, levies and loans that it is impossible to get authoritative figures.

Probable truth is that Nazis are blithely incurring enormous deficits, caring little for the economic consequences.

Danger Spot

BESSARABIA, troubled spot in Rumanian history, may be excuse for Soviet aggression in Balkans. Its history is linked with centuries of war. Five times in eighteenth century it was conquered by Russia from Turkey.

Rumania regained half of Bessarabia from Russia after the Tsarist armies had been smashed by France and Britain in Crimean War. In 1877-8 that land returned to Russia.

In last war Rumania threw in her lot with Central Powers, who overruled German and Austrian armies. Peace treaties extended Rumanian boundaries, gave her Transylvania (from Hungary) and Bessarabia (from Russia).

Just over 21 years ago National Assembly of Bessarabia elected to unite with Rumania.

Transylvania, with its wheat, gold, copper, silver, lead and coal, is another danger spot. Of its 3,400,000 people, more than one-third are Hungarians. There are also thousands of Germans living there.

Bushmen

AMONG the Australian contingent that reached these shores the other day are several Bushmen, which spells trouble for the enemy. These men, inured to tackling

AREN'T YOU BEING A BIT OF A FOOL?

YOU'D be the first to call a man a fool for spoiling his health. With drink, for instance. Or overwork. Or far and away too much tobacco. Are you quite sure you're not playing the fool with your own fitness?

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Alarm Over Continued Fall In The Birth Rate

M.P.s WANT BONUSES FOR BRITISH BABIES

BIG FAMILIES IDEA

"PUB" A "SACRED SPOT"

DEPLORING, IN HIS PARISH MAGAZINE, "THE NARROW-MINDEDNESS AND UNCHRISTIANITY" WHICH CONDEMNED PUBLIC-HOUSES, THE VERY REV. EDGAR RODGERS, DEAN OF BOCKING, ESSEX, SAYS:

"After the church, the public-house ought to be the most sacred spot in town or village, and, after the public-house, the school."

STATE AID TO MOTHERS

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE GOVERNMENT IS TO BE ASKED IN THE COMING SESSION TO INTRODUCE A BILL TO PROVIDE BONUSES FOR BABIES. THE BONUS WOULD TAKE THE FORM EITHER OF A MONEY GRANT TO MEET MATERNITY EXPENSES OR A WEEKLY SUM FOR THE BABY'S UPKEEP.

The Bill is intended as a war measure, but the ultimate idea is for it to become a permanent part of our social legislation.

Several prominent M.P.s are behind the move, including Mr. L. S. Amery, former Secretary for the Colonies, and Miss Eleanor Rathbone, Independent Member for the English Universities.

MAIN MOTIVES

A number of industrial firms are introducing such a scheme on their own account.

Two main motives are behind the proposals:

1. It would stimulate the birth-rate, which is considerably below that in the dictator countries.

2. It would enable parents with families to meet their extra responsibilities and help to ensure that no matter how large the family may be the children will be brought up under healthy conditions.

Many social workers are alarmed over the fact that an increasing number of parents are limiting themselves to one or two children. It is "all they can afford." But that number is not sufficient to maintain the present rate of population.

Though the birth-rate has recently shown a slight increase, the general tendency for the past half-century has been downward. A continuance of the decline would result in a sharp decrease in the population.

PARIS REDS' FACTORY PLOT

Paris, Saturday.

TWENTY Communists, who are stated to have organised a "cell" in an important Paris factory, have been arrested and money and documents seized, it is announced by the Paris police.

The arrested men will be charged with "anti-national activity," a charge which may result in sentences of from three to five years' imprisonment.—B.U.P.

Sweden has been advised by the French police that Maurice Thorez, the French Communist, is trying to reach Stockholm from Switzerland.

It is thought that Thorez may try to set up the European headquarters of the Comintern, formerly in Paris, there.—B.U.P.

"IT'S CRUELTY TO A DUMB ANIMAL"



Half-Price Gold Bluff

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

RACKETEERS ARE SCOOPING HUNDREDS OF POUNDS A WEEK BY GOING FROM DOOR TO DOOR TELLING WOMEN THAT THEY MUST SELL THEIR GOLD ARTICLES "TO HELP WIN THE WAR."

The men say they have been appointed by the Government to buy gold. In some cases they pay only half the real value.

The whole thing is an impudent bluff, and the swindle is made worse by the fact that some of the jewellery thus sold

has sentimental associations as well as high intrinsic value.

The National Association of Goldsmiths is consulting the authorities to see what steps can be taken to stop it.

The doorstep tricksters, in addition to falsely representing that they are acting for the Government, are telling housewives that they are compelled, under Government order, to sell their gold if called upon to do so.

Actually, as branches of the National Association of Goldsmiths all over the country are pointing out, the Government has neither appointed agents to go around buying gold, nor has it suggested that the sale of gold is compulsory.

Does your dog get enough exercise these days?



DOES YOUR DOG get enough exercise? Is he a 'plus' dog? Black-outs are bound to mean lack of exercise; rationing means an ill-balanced diet. Unless you take immediate steps to counteract these two factors, your dog's health is sure to suffer.

Regular conditioning with Bob Martin's Condition Powders is now more necessary than ever. One Bob Martin's once a day will rid your dog's blood of the toxic impurities set up by faulty feeding and restricted exercise. Let Bob Martin's make your dog a 'plus' dog by maintaining a rich, pure blood supply. These famous little powders will give him better health, better coat, better spirits.

Bob Martin's one a day makes a 'plus' dog

From all chemists and dog-food shops, in packets of 9 powders 6d. and 21 powders 1/-.

HITLER is trying to worm his way back into General Franco's good books. He has just sent the head of the Spanish Government a six-wheeled, high-speed armoured car as a personal present.

The car will arrive in Madrid in the next day or two. But it is unlikely to influence Franco's policy, which is to have as little to do with Germany as possible, and to cultivate friendly diplomatic and commercial relations with the Allies. A trade agreement between Franco and Britain will, it is hoped, be announced soon.

A NEW agreement signed between Britain and Turkey will provide for an armaments credit to Turkey of £25,000,000. Those armaments will be provided by Britain.

There will also be a cash loan running into several million pounds, and commercial credits also running into millions.

Turkey will play an important part in the war if it should spread into the Near East, as seems probable.

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tracts have been placed for several thousands of shallow-draft boats, capable of sailing in three feet of water.

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A MAN'S JOB



Mrs. Marion Wilberforce, one of the nine women pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, whose job is to fly planes from the manufacturers to the flying schools.

Civil Servants Defy Government Order

"Stay-In-London" Is Strangest Strike

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

STRANGEST STRIKE EVER—A STAY-IN-LONDON STRIKE—HAS BEEN STAGED BY A NUMBER OF CIVIL SERVANTS DEFEYING THE GOVERNMENT ORDER TO EVACUATE THEM TO THE NORTH.

These employees, a section of the staff of the Ministry of Health, have failed to turn up in Blackpool.

In addition, 35 girls employed in the Department who were under orders to go to Blackpool have resigned from the Civil Service. Mr. L. C. White, assistant general secretary of the Civil Service Clerical Association, said yesterday: "Probably some of the people who have failed to carry out the evacuation orders are on sick leave."

"But in view of the large number involved, the Association is asking the Ministry of Health for detailed information about those who have failed to appear."

"We are also asking for an undertaking that no official action will be taken against any individual."

"Probably a number have found it quite impossible to leave their homes at present because of the financial difficulties which evacuation will cause."

DIFFICULTIES EXPLAINED

"Wives of Civil Servants explained these difficulties when they saw the Minister of Health, Mr. Walter Elliot."

Mr. J. R. Simpson, secretary of the staff side of the National Whitley Council, explained that they had seen Sir Horace Wilson and told him there ought not to be any more evacuations.

"We have decided, in view of the unsatisfactory reply from Sir Horace, to try to see Sir John Simon about it, and convey to him our view that evacuation must stop, not only because of the effect on the domestic and family life of the Civil Servants and the heavy financial burden it imposed, but because we think it is a serious menace to the satisfactory performance of public business," Mr. Simpson added.

When Mr. Walter Elliot, the Minister of Health, paid a visit to Blackpool to see the conditions under which the evacuated staff were living and working, he heard, it is understood, many complaints that members of the staff were unhappy and home sick; that they could not live on their pay after deductions, and that they were having insufficient food.

The Inland Revenue Department held a protest meeting in London on Friday night, and passed a resolution urging the Chancellor of the Exchequer to reconsider his decision to proceed with the preliminary evacuation of two branches of a staff of 500.

PRINCESSES HELPED QUEEN WITH SHOPPING

From Our Own Correspondent

KING'S LYNN, Norfolk, Saturday. SHOPPERS AT A KING'S LYNN DEPARTMENTAL STORE TODAY HAD A SURPRISE WHEN THEY FOUND THE QUEEN AND THE PRINCESSES ELIZABETH AND MARGARET MAKING PURCHASES BESIDE THEM.

The Royal party had motored from Sandringham, and they spent nearly an hour in the shop, where a sale is in progress.

The Princesses played a part in selecting the Queen's purchases.

Baby Born In 'Phone Box

"SPECIAL" AS A MIDWIFE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

EPSON, Saturday. A BABY WAS BORN TO MRS. EMILY ASH, OF LANGLEY VALE RD., EPSON, IN A TINY SANDBAGGED POLICE PHONE BOX NEAR EPSON RACECOURSE.

She left her home, wearing only a dressing gown over her nightdress, to 'phone for the ambulance because she did not wish to disturb her husband, who was ill in bed with influenza.

The emergency "midwife" was twenty-seven-year-old Special Constable Ronald Tuckerman, a single man, who found Mrs. Ash in a distressed condition in an isolated part of the Downs.

After he had seen mother and child safely into the ambulance and on its way to hospital, Constable Tuckerman went to see the husband, Mr. Frederick Ash, who told "The People":

"He knocked me up at five o'clock and seemed annoyed I had not helped my wife. But I did not know anything about it. I had been in bed for three days with flu, a sore throat and had lost my voice."

"My wife awoke my mother, who was also ill. She told her to wake me, but my wife replied, 'No, I won't disturb him. I can get to the call box by myself.'"

Mr. Ash said he had seen his wife in the Epsom County Hospital, and she and the child, a girl, looked very well.

He praised the promptness and coolness of the constable, adding that if the baby had been a boy he would have named him after the constable.

Mrs. Ash's previous child died at birth.

HAD TIME ON HIS HANDS

Newport, R.I., Saturday. WALKER ALDRICH, of Newport, Rhode Island, stole a clock and calendar from the desk of the District Judge.

He gave this explanation in court yesterday: "A few days ago I went to your office to ask you to release a friend of mine so that he could apply for a job."

"You were out, so I took the clock to prove what time it was I came, and the calendar to prove the date."

Said the judge: "I'll let you go if you give me back my clock and calendar and get out of town."

MEYRICK BABY

THE birth of a daughter to the Countess of Craven was announced yesterday. The Countess, who is twenty-three, was formerly Miss Irene Meyrick, youngest daughter of the late Mrs. Kate Meyrick, once known as London's "Night Club Queen."

At the nursing home yesterday it was stated that the baby was making good progress, but the Countess was "not too well."

She was married to the twenty-two-year-old Earl of Craven, at St. Peter's, Eaton-sq., S.W., last year, but news of the wedding was not disclosed for three months. The Countess was the third daughter of Mrs. Meyrick to marry a peer.

"The People's" Secret Service News

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tions is proceeding at breakneck speed on the German side of the border, and the Nazi authorities do not wish the Dutch workers to know what is going on.

SUGGESTIONS are being made in knowledgeable quarters that Germany's output of ocean-going submarines is now six a month—or one and a half a week.

That is about one-half the number that the British and French navies, with the aid of their air forces, are sinking.

The same source suggests that the output of new U-boats of the large class will be doubled by midsummer. So also, of course, may the rate of sinking.

SERIOUS discontent is reported from Germany over the fact that so few Nazi officials and local leaders are at the front. They are still strutting about their towns, in their Storm Trooper uniforms, making themselves as offensive as possible.

Dr. Goebbels has now ordered all the German newspapers to explain that these key men are indispensable on the Home Front, and that the work they are doing in preserving

the Nazi machine and preventing grumbling among the civilian population, are at least as important as the work of the soldiers in the Siegfried Line.

EXPECT a big purge soon in the higher ranks of the Soviet. Stalin, rarely a man to get angry, is furious over the failure of the Finnish campaign.

The dismissal of Kaganovich, Commissar for Aviation, and the cashiering of several Generals is only the start of the trouble.

Voroshiloff, Minister of War and Supreme Commander-in-Chief of the Red Army, is by no means safe in his position. And the fact that Mme. Molotov, wife of the Foreign Commissar, is disagreeing with Stalin's policy is making things uncomfortable for her husband. The dismissal of Molotov, or a compulsory divorce, is likely in the near future.

THE fact that Hitler is training large quantities of cavalry—obviously for warfare in open or flooded country—has not been lost sight of by the British War Office. The same thing is now being done here. Several of the old yeomanry regiments are in being and large numbers of men and horses are now in training.

The Best Answer to the Food Question

Now, more than ever, you need the Supreme Quality of Ovaltine

FOOD rationing need not prevent your family enjoying a completely nourishing diet. Make 'Ovaltine' the regular mealtime beverage in your home. This delicious beverage is, in itself, a perfect food, supplying all the nutritive elements necessary to make the daily diet complete in every essential.

Scientifically prepared from malt, milk and eggs, 'Ovaltine' supplies the vitamins, proteins, carbohydrates and mineral salts required to create energy and maintain body, brain and nerves at the highest efficiency.

Remember, there are very important differences between 'Ovaltine' and imitations made to look the same. It would be a simple matter to cheapen 'Ovaltine' by altering the proportions of its health-giving ingredients and adding large quantities of other substances. But the result would not be 'Ovaltine,' the special benefits of which have been demonstrated by independent scientific tests.

Remember, too, that 'Ovaltine' possesses definite nerve-restoring properties, which are largely derived from the new-laid eggs liberally used in its manufacture. The eggs which 'Ovaltine' contains make it the complete tonic food beverage.

For all these reasons, always insist on 'Ovaltine.' Owing to its concentrated nature, it is most economical in use.



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If you're subject to chilblains, chapped hands, a rough, sore skin or foot trouble—try Zam-Buk. Give your hands, feet, or any other sore place a nightly rub over with Zam-Buk, the famous herbal ointment. It's most soothing and antiseptic.

The refined medicinal oils in Zam-Buk are easily absorbed into the skin. Thus circulation is improved, and pain, swelling and inflammation are quickly ended. Don't suffer a day longer! Get a 1/3 or 3/- box of Zam-Buk from your chemist or store today and end all Winter skin troubles.

★ Zam-Buk is an ideal embrocation for rheumatism, cold on the chest, etc. To soften Zam-Buk just warm it a little.

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Take Beecham's Lung Syrup and you will get rid of phlegm and soothe and strengthen the tender, tortured membranes in your throat and bronchial tubes. Your coughing quickly stops. The amazing invigoration is due to the presence of pure medicinal glucose in this wonderful prescription. Get a bottle—and stop your cough!

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In consulting rooms all over the country, men and women are asking their doctors if there is any way to gain relief from common constipation. In the picture above, a doctor explains to a patient what causes this wretched complaint (see diagram right) and tells her why a food brings natural, normal "regularity."

A FOOD RELIEVES CONSTIPATION

As any doctor will tell you, the real cause of constipation is lack of "bulk" in our food. You see, most of the foods we depend on today—white bread, potatoes, fish, eggs, milk, meat—contain practically no bulk at all. They get almost completely digested and the residue they leave is not bulky enough for the bowel muscles to "take hold of." These muscles cease to work and you get constipated.

You need "bulk" in your food. But if you take laxatives and drugs cannot get permanent relief. They do not get at the cause of the trouble. Besides, laxatives and drugs may lead to serious health troubles. That is why doctors today

recommend Kellogg's All-Bran, a natural bulk food. All-Bran provides a residue "bulky" enough for the bowel muscles to "take hold of," thus bringing about a safe, normal movement. And All-Bran does more. It absorbs water and becomes soft like a sponge. This water-softened mass gently cleanses the intestines.

Find glorious new health Kellogg's All-Bran is also rich in Vitamin B, which tones the intestinal tract, and in iron, which enriches the blood. Eat All-Bran every day and you'll forget what it is to be constipated. You'll be gloriously healthy, full of the joy of living. Ask your grocer for Kellogg's All-Bran today, 7jd.



A new woman! All through the early part of my life I suffered against constipation, which made me very nervous and depressed. Not long ago a friend told me about All-Bran. Now I eat it regularly for breakfast and am a new woman—no depression, no headaches, no wretched constipation any more.

Edward Lyndoe's Predictions

PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

WITHIN A WEEK THE FINNS WILL HAVE ACHIEVED YET ANOTHER GREAT VICTORY. IN SPITE OF SUPERIORITY IN NUMBERS THE RUSSIANS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CARRY OUT THEIR PLANS FOR A NEW DRIVE.

Meanwhile, there are significant indications that the Finnish trouble will enlarge the differences between the Axis partners. An early fracture is indicated.

GERMAN threats to the Scandinavian countries can be dismissed as three parts bluff. All talk of a move in that part of the world is a red-herring to deflect attention from their real plans elsewhere. No evidence in my charts of an invasion of any of the Northern states.

STUDY of Admiral Raeder's chart leads me to the conclusion that a walk-out by Adolf's chief sea man is not unlikely. News of his resignation will probably arrive at the same time as the announcement of an unfortunate accident to another of the Prominent Reich leaders.

I am convinced that the next move by General Goering will confirm the correctness of my recent statement regarding his intentions. This will probably be linked up with a statement concerning the Fuehrer's health. Goering is the man to watch these days.

Setbacks For Stalin

A BREACH BETWEEN THE VATICAN AND BERLIN IS ONE OF THE SENSATIONS DUE ANY TIME NOW. WHILE ON THE SUBJECT OF THE POPE I REGRET TO HAVE TO STATE THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE CAUSE FOR SOME ANXIETY REGARDING THE PONTIFF'S HEALTH.

LAST week's startling Cabinet changes, forecast here at the end of 1939, are likely to be followed by further readjustments. These will probably be of a less sensational nature than Mr. Hore-Belisha's resignation, but they will be extensive.

THE announcement of a reduction in the unemployment figures, also predicted in this column some time ago, marks only the beginning of the process. A further drop can be expected as a result of an exceptional plan for dealing with the nation's man-power which is likely to be put into operation soon.

ONE of the most intriguing indications for the next few weeks is that which points to the possibility of more active American intervention in the European situation, probably arising from an incident which can only be compared with the historic sinking of the Lusitania in the last war.



ADMIRAL RAEDER

BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week)

TODAY
IMPORTANT year in your affairs on account of the number of changes it brings. These are chiefly concerned with your private affairs and may include a number of new friendships. At the same time, the financial position will have to be handled with care, as there is a possibility that some of your experiments will prove costly.

TOMORROW
You should find this one of the most helpful years you have had for a long time. There are strong indications of improvement in your general standing, coupled with expansion of your interests on sound lines. You can count on a healthy tone in your finances.

TUESDAY
Stormy twelvemonth and some of the upheavals will have unfortunate repercussions on your position, unless you take great care. Patience is the

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK, you can have a specially compiled Month-by-Month Review of your affairs up to the end of January, 1941 (over 3,500 words!) by applying AT ONCE, together with a P.O. for 2/- to cover clerical and postal costs. State name (Mr., Mrs. or Miss), full postal address, date of birth, and send to Edward Lyndoe, c/o "The People," 93, Long Acre, W.C.2.

WEDNESDAY
The year brings important developments, probably to do with someone older than yourself, and there are signs of a definite change for the better in home affairs. Financially, I do not anticipate much change on existing conditions.

THURSDAY
Placid kind of twelvemonth, but the prospects are sufficiently good to warrant a fair amount of optimism. Progress is, in fact, almost inevitable if a determined effort is made to push ahead.

FRIDAY
Plenty of activity to keep you busy this year, including possibly a change of environment. You should certainly be "up and doing," so as to push your interests on new lines. The only disadvantage is that the heightened activity may result in some temporary financial strain.

SATURDAY
You, too, have a strenuous twelvemonth ahead of you, but I think you will find the beginning of the week, and while concrete gains are likely to be secured, especially in dealing with business matters. In fact, this year gives you a fine opportunity to improve your whole standing, both socially and otherwise. Financial returns are well above the average.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK

(Look for your birth date below to find your section)

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20
QUIET week which should give you little trouble. Most of your interests proceed smoothly, and it is not until right at the end that you come up against snags. Thursday is the best all-round day for dealing with your affairs.

APRIL 21 to MAY 20
Beginning of this week introduces a note of fine stability into your

affairs, and you can rely on some welcome assistance in dealing with current problems. Both Sunday and Monday are excellent days for clearing up difficulties.

MAY 21 to JUNE 20
Thursday is the most important day of the seven for you. It introduces an element of the unexpected into your affairs, possibly a new opening, and permits you to strike out for yourself on much more exciting lines.

JUNE 21 to JULY 20
Week begins with some special advantages on Monday which help you to dispose of a long-standing difficulty and to take the first steps towards considerable advancement in your position. The only point to bear in mind is that the improved conditions do not warrant any drastic changes at this time.

JULY 21 to AUGUST 21
Beginning and the end of this week are much more helpful for most of you than the intervening days, and I suggest, therefore, that matters not successfully dealt with on Monday should be left over until Saturday for completion.

AUGUST 22 to SEPTEMBER 22
This is the week to choose for your efforts if you are contemplating changes. It is an admirable time for striking out for yourself on new lines, and events on Thursday may throw a new light on the whole situation.

SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22
Interesting developments tomorrow which help you to dispose of a long-standing difficulty on satisfactory lines. Older people, in particular, come to your assistance with greater willingness than usual.

OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 22
Quiet week during which you get things much your own way if only you will take the trouble to display a little initiative. Get your arrangements finalised as early as you can in view of the possibilities of less favourable tendencies towards the week-end.

NOVEMBER 23 to DECEMBER 20
Your own impatience is likely to create difficulties for you as the week begins, and if you are contemplating changes I strongly urge you to take time for reflection before committing yourself.

DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 19
You must not allow the rather depressing beginning of this week to upset you. Current problems tend to come to a head on Tuesday, and you will no doubt find it hard going until then. Stick to your normal routine for a few days and do not take any unnecessary risks. Second half of the week marks considerable improvement.

JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18
Your finances may be rather badly hit at the beginning of the week, and I advise you to be careful regarding expenditure for a few days. Over-enthusiasm on your part may lead to actual losses and you must be prepared for additional demands on your purse.

FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20
After a disappointing Monday, your affairs take a sudden turn for the better on Tuesday, and you should be on the alert for new chances of advancement round about that time. You have a fine opportunity to improve your general status and most business interests do better than usual.

TODAY'S RADIO

391.1 METRES (767 kc/s), 449.1 METRES (668 kc/s).

7.0 a.m.—Time: News.
7.15—Morning News.
7.30—Stage Songs, Past and Present.
8.0—Time: News.
8.15—B.B.C. Orchestra (Section C).
9.0—Outward Bound: Sea Stories.
9.25—Service: Address by Rev. H. H. Farmer.
10.15—Rhythm on Records.
10.30—Lloyd Thomas at the Organ.
10.50—The Richard Cream Orchestra.
11.25—Frank Laiffie (piano).
12.0 noon—Enfield Central Band.
12.45 p.m.—Reading from Surtees, by John Galsworthy.
1.0—Time: News.
1.10—B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.
1.45—Nelson Elms at the Organ.
2.15—In Your Garden, by C. H. Middleton.
2.30—Halle Society's Wagner Concert, Part 1.
3.0—Music Master.
3.30—Agricultural Bee, or What Land Girls Ought to Know.
4.0—Time: News.
4.15—The Conjuror, a Story by Martin Armstrong, read by the author.
4.30—B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.
5.15—Children.
(291.1 Metres)—News in Welsh.
5.30 (261.1 Metres)—Service in Gaelic.
6.0—Time: News.
6.15—"Personality," by Rev. J. S. Whaley.
6.35—Eugene Pini and his Tango Orchestra.

6.55—Chamber Music Players: Albert Sammons (violin), Lionel Tertis (viola), Cedric Sharpe (violin), William Murdoch (piano).
7.30—Concert for the Australian Troops.
7.55—Service: Address by Rev. H. H. Farmer.
8.10—Week's Good Cause.
8.45—Erle Greene (tenor).
9.0—Time: News.
9.15—Who Killed Matthew Corbin?—Part 3: The Solution.
9.40—Composers Cavalcade.
10.45—Epilogue.
10.55—B.B.C. Orchestra (Section B).
11.40—The Romantic Rhythmists.
12.0 midnight—Time: News.
For the Forces
342.1 METRES (877 kc/s)
Tonight's special items are as follows:—
6.0 p.m.—Home Service Programme.
6.15—Arthur Sandford at the Piano.
6.35—Home Service Programme.
7.0—Recorded Medley.
7.35—Home Service Programme.
7.55—New Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra.
8.15—Home Service Programme.
8.35—B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.
9.0—Home Service Programme.
9.15—Schubert's "Wanderer" (piano).
10.0—Wynford Reynolds and his Orchestra.
11.40 p.m.—12.15 a.m.—Home Service Programme.

"It's a job, feeding three bonny youngsters in these hard times"

SAYS MRS. WILSON OF NOTTINGHAM



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"WE'RE a healthy crowd," said Mrs. Wilson, "you should just see my hubby for physical fitness! He works very hard in coal-face (so we get coal free), and he comes home fairly roaring for his food! But there, so do the three kids."

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SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

SCOTLAND YARD IS DOING ITS BEST TO STEM THE FLOW OF GLAMOUR-MAD GIRLS TO SHADY NIGHT RESORTS IN THE WEST END.

These girls, many of them under seventeen, come from all parts of the country, girls with pretty faces and dancing feet, who think they have only to come to London to make their dreams of lovely clothes, limousines, and Prince Charmings come true.

They are girls of all types—schoolgirls, shopgirls, typists and factory workers—and nearly all of them are film-crazy.

Arriving in London, their first ambition is to crash the stage or screen.

When they find they can't, they drift as dance hostesses into night clubs and drinking dens, where they have a chance to show what they can do in cheap cabarets, and where the big talent-spotter may yet discover them.

"NICE" TO CUSTOMERS

In the clubs they are exploited by unscrupulous proprietors, who know that the younger they are the less they need to be paid, though they are still expected to be "nice" to the customers, and to squeeze the last penny out of them.

Yet, strangely enough, many of the girls actually acquire a taste for the tawdry and flighty lives they lead.

And this is the worst factor with which Inspector Gavin and his aids have had to contend.

For, under examination, young girls would lie like troopers, and give no facts about themselves.

Only when their stories are checked is the truth revealed.

In recent club raids the inspector found all the hostesses very young, and in one instance a girl was only fourteen years old.

A police official told me yesterday that many girls rebel at this age, disappear from home to come to London.

"Many of them find their way to the night clubs," he added. "One young hostess of fifteen, whom I restored to her people, was bored with her life in a north country town."

"Another hostess of sixteen had run away from an ultra-strict home in the hope of finding a newer and a happier life here."

"The worst case I came across was that of a girl of twelve from an L.C.C. school. She peroxidized and lipstickked, and had trained her own troupe of girl dancers to tour the cheaper clubs."

TOYNBEE HALL SETS AN EXAMPLE

ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS THE RESTORATION OF EDUCATION IN LONDON HAS NOW BEEN TAKEN—TOYNBEE HALL HAS ENTERED UPON A FULL AND VARIED PROGRAMME OF EVENING CLASSES FOR MEN AND WOMEN.

The classes, which will meet in the new and beautiful building recently added to the Toynbee Hall premises, range over such subjects as modern languages, literature, economics and psychology, and it is emphasised that special opportunities will be offered to those who desire to study international affairs.

The activities of the schools of drama and music at Toynbee Hall are to be vigorously resumed, and a warm invitation to join these schools is addressed to all who desire to develop any talent they may possess to act, sing or play.

THERE ARE CLASSES IN DRAWING AND PAINTING, AND FOR THE MORE LIGHT-HEARTED OR LIGHT-FOOTED MANY CLASSES IN FOLK, MARGARIT MORRIS AND BALLET DANCING.

Toynbee Hall, which is situated at 28, Commercial-st., is only a few yards away from the Aldgate and Aldgate East underground railway stations in Aldgate High-st., and is therefore easily reached from all parts of London. Any who desire to begin or continue evening studies are invited to call at Toynbee Hall or to write for a copy of the Toynbee Hall syllabus of evening classes.

Industrial Reform, a body of experts able to visualise systems eliminating ancient injustices.

For, after the sufferings and sacrifices of this second war, I cannot believe people will agree to conditions which starve some and allow wasteful luxury to others.

I cannot see the perpetuation of an industrial system that enlarges profits by withholding employment, or destroying goods in order to bring scarcity and high prices.

I cannot imagine a future British Empire run mainly for joint-stock dividends instead of the welfare of its human units.

Nor will it be easy for Parliamentary stick-in-the-muds to utter ridiculous and heartless evasions. If we can organise production and distribution for war, we can do so also in peace time.

When Hitlerism is settled, there will be the devil to pay if British war efforts are rewarded by the old raw deals.

QUEEN OF THE ROSES



That's the title just awarded Margaret Huntley, aged 18, of Pasadena, U.S.A., where roses in January bloom.

Unconscious, But Talked!

DRUG THAT REVIVES MEMORY

FROM A MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT
LATEST TRIUMPH FOR MEDICAL SCIENCE IS THE SWIFT CURE OF THOSE SUFFERING FROM LOSS OF MEMORY BY MEANS OF A WONDER DRUG—EVIPAN, A RECENTLY DISCOVERED ANÆSTHETIC WHICH SENDS PATIENTS TO DREAMLESS SLEEP IN LESS THAN 20 SECONDS.

Dr. Eric Frankel, resident medical officer at Acton Hospital, London, has revealed the successful use of Evipan in a case of loss of memory.

"An elderly woman was brought into hospital by ambulance," he states.

NAME DIVULGED

She was obviously in great distress, and it was pitiful to see her trying to remember her name.

"The patient's arm was prepared, and a warm solution of Evipan was injected.

"She was asked to count, and when her voice became indistinct, she was questioned in a loud and firm voice.

"After considerable mental resistance had been overcome, she divulged her name, age and address. Further questioning revealed that she had left her home in the afternoon to go shopping.

"After making several purchases, she continued walking until she was taken to the police station, ten miles from her home. She had been walking for five hours.

The woman gave many other facts about herself while in a state of unconsciousness under the drug.

Meanwhile, her relatives were called and the position explained to them.

Dr. Frankel continues: "One hour after the injection she woke up and wanted to know where she was."

"She was feeling tired, but otherwise quite well, and quickly regained her memory. She recognised her children at once and was able to return home to them."

Faked Passports

WARNING TO REFUGEES AND SPIES!

WARNING TO REFUGEES AND SPIES WHO HOPE TO ENTER BRITAIN DURING THE WAR: BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU BUY YOUR FAKED PASSPORT.

For an international gang with agents in several European countries is selling passports for £50 which do not stand the slightest chance of deceiving the authorities.

A Nazi spy is believed to be its latest victim, according to a Belgian report. He had in his possession a British passport which was detected at Ostend by an official who saw it was bogus at first sight.

The paper was too thick, several printed words were spelt wrong, and the colour of the cover was several shades too dark.

The spy, Frederick Hardter, alleged that he had obtained the document from London, but the spelling mistakes point to it having been produced on the Continent.

Police of many countries are trying to trace the ring leaders, but they are hampered by the fact that victims are afraid to talk.

"Wives Must Lose Those They Love"

SKIPPER A. E. THUNDERCLIFFE, of the Hull trawler *Lucida*, sunk by a mine with the loss of her crew of twelve, phoned his wife twice before sailing.

"It seems strange that he should do so," she said yesterday.

Mrs. Thundercliff, who lives in Swanland-grove, Cottingham-rd., Hull, is left with a family of five. The eldest is fifteen and the youngest a baby five months old.

"All that we women can do in this terrible war is to stay at home and lose those we love most," she said.

"He was the best of husbands. And now our breadwinner has gone."

NELSON'S TELESCOPE

Miss Anne Ethel Fitzroy, of Euston Hall, Suffolk, granddaughter of the fifth Duke of Grafton, left to the present duke, her cousin, "the telescope" which belonged to Admiral Lord Nelson, and was given to my father by Admiral Sir Thomas Hardy."

She also left £20,000 on trust for life to her maid, Alice Monk.

You Will Agree With This—

After-War Wisdom!

By "THE PHILOSOPHER"

Do you remember the day when Peace came to put an end to World War Number One? As if it were yesterday I recall its joyful madness, trumpets, streamers and toy balloons.

Soldiers and civilians capered around as if each had swarms of bats in his belly.

Everyone made whoopee with a happiness that was infectious and a sense of relief which seemed a touch of Heaven.

Somewhat, some time—very soon, we all hope—this war will end, too. The boys will come home, a million, maybe three millions of them. Possibly, if the struggle is long-drawn-out, five millions will doff khaki for "civvies."

Thus will pass this war to end war. Back from the front will come armies of men to a "land fit for heroes."

This nation, this family, bound by the ties of war, will never forget. At the end of the road lie brotherly love and sympathy.

SO RUNS THE INFERENCE. TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO THE SAME STORY WAS TOLD DIRECTLY OR BY IMPLICATION.

War time unity was to continue after the bugles had sounded truce. Britain's other name was to be Utopia.

Actually, two full decades of disillusionment followed, of relapse to selfishness, obsolete social management and every sin from tolerance of unemployment and slumdom to mean doles and heartless old-age pensions.

And so, already, this time people are beginning to ask if again, when the fighting is finished, we are to go through another post-war bedlam.

But you cannot go on fooling people and get away with it, especially if your attempts follow close on one another.

I have a hunch that these boys now in the forces, when they return expectantly to office and workshop, will not be so easily put off as were their fathers.

FOR THAT REASON LET ME OFFER A WORD OF ADVICE TO OUR "HIGHER-UPS," WHO STILL APPEAR TO BE SHUFFLING ALONG THE ROAD OF OLD ASSUMPTIONS.

Because, if they fail again as they failed before, we cannot escape a serious storm of social unrest.

I should like to see formed immediately a Government Committee for Post-war Social and

Children's Teeth in War-Time



Even in war time a child's diet must contain a proportion of sweet things for nourishment and energy. But sweet things cause acid-mouth which encourages the germs which attack and decay the teeth. To protect the teeth a child's toothpaste should contain plenty of 'Milk of Magnesia', the most effective neutralizer of mouth acid known. Only in one toothpaste is 'Milk of Magnesia' brand antacid to be found and that is Phillips' Dental Magnesia which contains 75%.

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HEALTH news

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LIFE WASN'T WORTH LIVING

until she took Dr. Cassells
If you have ever put up with nerve suffering you will know what this woman means when she says "there are no tablets which can do more good to cases like mine." This is a Bantley woman's tribute to the tonic which made her life worth living again. She writes: "I could not eat, I could not sleep at night, I suffered severely with stomach pain—life was not worth living. But since taking Dr. Cassells I am perfectly well and can both eat and sleep well." Mrs. E. E. S.

Signalman suffered
"I am perfectly well, I can eat, I can sleep."

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This man suffered for over 20 years with nervous weakness. He thought he would never get over it. At last, on his own initiative, he began taking Dr. Cassells' Tablets. The improvement was remarkable. He says: "I am a signalman in a fairly large Box and now I continued my responsible work I don't know. The agonies I suffered were indescribable. I am thankful it is now my turn to write of the great good Dr. Cassells can do. I eat, and sleep, and am better in every way." W. H., London, E.6.

Now - "It is my turn to write of the great good Dr. Cassells can do..."

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Night by night, until January 24, it will get bigger and brighter. Then it will begin to wane. By February 2 it will be only a little streak again, and the light will be of little use. After that there will be no moonlight until February 12.

CREW SAW NAZI RAIDER CRASH INTO THE SEA

THE crew of a London steamer which reached a North East port yesterday said they saw the German plane which flew over South Shields on Thursday brought down in the North Sea by British fighters. They noticed the German machine being pursued by our planes and heard machine-gun fire.

Suddenly the Nazi raider dived almost vertically into the sea and did not rise again.

WINSTON WILL TREASURE THIS!

THE eighty-years-old Earl of Selborne, who was First Lord of the Admiralty from 1900 to 1905, has sent the following message to Mr. Winston Churchill:—

"May an octogenarian, whose greatest pride in life is to remember that he was once a First Lord, offer to the Navy through the Board of Admiralty his tribute of intense admiration, wholly untinged with surprise, at its glorious achievements."

Washing Day in Finland



German Predicts—

BIG NAZI REVOLUTION

New York, Saturday.

TIME WILL LEAD NAZI GERMANY INTO A REVOLUTION WHICH FOR FURY WILL SURPASS ANYTHING THE WORLD HAS WITNESSED, EVEN IN RUSSIA.

BOY WITH HEART ON WRONG SIDE

DR. ARTHUR DAVIS, the pathologist, described at an inquest at Darenth, near Dartford, Kent, yesterday, how, when making a post-mortem examination on a four-years-old boy, he found that his heart and other organs were on the right side instead of the left.

The boy, Roy John Scott, of Birch-grove, Welling, died while under an operation for the removal of his tonsils.

Dr. Davis said the organs were healthy in spite of their transposition. The cause of death was acute dilatation of the heart while under the influence of a general anaesthetic.

The Coroner: May we take it that this extraordinary condition of things contributed to the sequence of events?

Dr. Davis: It happens so rarely that it is difficult to give an opinion.

Verdict: Death from Natural Causes.

SAVING THEIR BACON

Ilford Council are going in for pig-breeding. They will begin with 50 or 60, and it is estimated that the initial cost will be wiped out by the end of the year.

JACK FROST AND YOUR FOOD CROPS

By RICHARD SUDELL

WARM AND SHELTERED GARDENS ARE MORE PRODUCTIVE. IT WAS FOR THIS REASON THAT MANY OF THE OLD KITCHEN GARDENS WERE SURROUNDED BY HIGH WALLS.

They were warmer and the crops earlier than the modern allotments which are exposed to every wind that blows.

Today we cannot afford the costly walls of the old kitchen garden, but we can provide shelter by various methods. One of the easiest devices for protecting crops is the cloche. This was first used in France—a method of intensive cultivation and for forcing early crops.

The cloche as used for French gardening was a glass bell, easily broken.

The best type today is the cloche made from sheets of glass fixed together with wire or wooden supports. These are fixed end to end over a row of crops, such as lettuce or early peas. They are not only suitable for covering seedlings but can be left over dwarf crops until they are matured.

I have found the common wattle hurdle of immense value in providing

shelter during the colder months of the year. These are in 6 ft. lengths 3 ft. high.

They are easily pushed into the soil and fixed by a stake at either end. They can be moved about the plot to afford protection where required.

Shelter can also be provided by prunings from evergreen shrubs. Laurel, aucuba, and over-grown privet hedges can all be cut back and the twigs pushed in between the rows of broad beans, peas, cabbage and lettuce as protection from severe weather.

My chimney sweep himself a keen allotment holder, left behind his bag of soot. This I use as a top dressing amongst the cabbage and broad beans. By darkening the surface of the soil its temperature is increased, and the soot also acts as a slight insecticide and fertiliser.

And In London Of All Places!

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

ONCE ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST COLOURFUL ADVENTURERS—NOW THE PREACHER AT TWICKENHAM'S CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH...

But the Rev. H. Allen Job enjoys the change. He no longer wishes to roam. He claims to have found more thrills in London than anywhere else.

Yet, in his lifetime this cheery, bushy-haired pastor has played many parts. He has been rough rider, gold prospector, printer's devil, and missionary.

He has lived with the world's least civilised race and been appointed a tribal chief, fought notorious white bullies on the Amazon, lodged in mountain holes, and existed on monkey flesh for weeks.

Son of a bullock driver, Mr. Job was born in the Australian bush.

"I lived on a horse," he told me; "can't remember ever learning to ride."

His adventures began at the age of fourteen, when he crossed the Blue Mountains, seeking his fortune.

He arrived at Sydney, got a job on a newspaper, became a sheep farm labourer and prospected for gold.

"But I never found enough to pay for my tools," Mr. Job laughed.

Then he became a missionary, and after going several times round the globe he reached the upper reaches of the Amazon to live with the wildest of creatures.

LIVED IN HOLES

"I found the Chuncha Indians charming people," he commented, "though ignorant of anything beyond their tropical forests."

"They had no settled homes, and seemed perfectly content to live in holes by the river banks or in the shelter of trees."

"They shot both their food and their enemies with poisoned arrows, and their only covering was a shirt beaten from the bark of trees."

"Women and wives were their greatest treasures, usually stolen from neighbouring tribes."

"To them a knife and a box of matches were black magic. I showed what I could do with them, and they marvelled."

"But they thought me a poor ignorant savage, when they took me swimming in their perilous rivers, and found me no good at spearing fish."

During his stay with these queer people Mr. Job lived mostly on monkey flesh, wild boar and bananas.

In one journey into the interior he joined the wild rubber

gatherers.

He was amazed at the atrocities practised on the natives by some of these cold-blooded American bullies in their anxiety to get rich.

"They captured native women and held them to ransom for rubber," he said. "I have even seen these men cut the arms off women to force the natives to search for more rubber."

"It was largely due to the rubber gatherers that the natives of these jungles began to regard the white men as enemies."

"And I am firmly of the opinion that Col. P. H. Fawcett, the explorer who vanished in the heart of the Brazilian jungle, was murdered by natives who had suffered at the hands of these vicious white men."

Mr. Job has no anxiety to be off again on his travels.

"There is as much work and adventure to be found in the 'jungles' of England," he explained, "some of it of the most tragic kind."

AND NOW THEY ARE SEVEN!

From Our Own Correspondent

Cardiff, Saturday.

MEET ONE OF BRITAIN'S MOST UNUSUAL FAMILIES—A FAMILY OF WHICH EVERY MEMBER, INCLUDING FATHER AND MOTHER, ARE IN THE COUNTRY'S SERVICE.

In the war of 1914-18, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adams, of Cathays, Cardiff, both served in France—Mr. Adams as a sergeant in the Army and Mrs. Adams as a sergeant in a women's field ambulance unit.

When the present war broke out they both joined up again, Mr. Adams in the Royal Engineers and Mrs. Adams in the A.T.S.

But they are not alone this time. They have six sons. Five of them are in uniform—some already in France—but the sixth son is too young and is doing the next best thing—Government work.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams have also five nephews serving.

MISSING RELATIVES

Readers must give names and addresses, particulars of relationship and send 3d. to "The People," Arc House, 6-7, Long Acre, W.C.2. Notices not to exceed forty words.

Blanch O'Rourke, or Anto O'Rourke, Boston, U.S.A., write Mollie M. O'Rourke (dearly missed) help needed, 26, Lower Mount Pleasant, Dublin. American papers please copy.

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"full of shooting, burning pains"

To look at this jolly picture of Mrs. Richardson you would hardly believe that she had suffered as she has. Yet read her letter:

"For months on end my arm and hand were full of shooting, burning pains. I could not sleep at nights, it was just as if my arm and fingers were alight, and during the day I was afraid I would drop everything. Then the front of my feet began to swell and pouches came under my eyes. I thought I must have rheumatism and kidney trouble, so I gave Fynnon Salt a trial. After trying other things I was surprised at the good it did me, the pain in my arm and hand began to go, and after only taking two tins all the

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THIS'LL MAKE 'EM WHISTLE By LARRY LYNX

SOME POTTED PEP FOR LINCOLN

BRAVO, Lincoln! Three loud cheers, and then some. I have called the chilly Carlholme all sorts of names; have been chided by the local Press, because on one occasion on this page I said that nobody in the Cathedral City took much interest in the annual race week, but now I snatch it all back. For Lincoln is asking the public for ideas on how to make the meeting more attractive.

YES, brother. Yes, rather, mother, sister, cousin—and I don't think "granter's" barred—if you've got a notion worth wrapping up in grease paper, hang it along to the Town Clerk, Lincoln, Lincs. With your moniker attached as a guarantee of good faith.

TO date, so far as I can gather, the only ideas up for consideration are: (a) braziers in the rings, (b) free hot drinks for pale punters. But braziers are as old as the sun, while if the "hot drinks" should consist of raspberry water, or some concoction like koka, you can have my straight griffin the dole-out will be properly told off before they've started to mess up the glasses.

Of course the idea might be to chuck in half a gill of—Tun it up, gov, it's fourteen and three per cent!

LET'S kick off with some potted pep. Frinstance, I think it would draw the public if one of the bookmakers provided a little entertainment. Suggestions I have in mind are: (1) Dan Summers to stand on his head near the members' lawn (if any), flip his ears like a gillywig, and sing the opening bars of his favourite song, "I Can Do Without You"; (2) Eric Edwards (of B. and S., which is not short for brandy and soda) to refrain from going to Lincoln on the Sunday horse train with friend "Key-stone," but to start with other respectable gents on Monday morning, set out at Grantham, and run the seventeen odd miles to the course disguised as an Eskimo.

THEN there's the newspapers, and blokes who write for 'em. Cecil Hadley would surely be a tremendous top-liner, perched on an upturned apple barrel in the silver ring, enumerating the items he does like in the B.B.C. programmes, while Bernard Buckham, of the little picture paper I buy

NOTTINGHAM
Tuesday, 1.0, Aldine * 1.30, Tierce, 2.0, Sandy's Choice, 2.30, Golden Teirao.
WETHERBY
Saturday—12.30, Scruffy, 1.30, Old Professor, 2.0, Inverside * 2.30, Philadelphia.
LEOPARDSTOWN
Saturday—2.20 West Point.

TWO BEST OF THE WEEK:
L. ALDINE * 2.30, INVERSIDE.
*** Nap of the Week**

for the actresses' legs, could crouch about the old ranch in the wide open spaces.

THE Circulation Manager of the London daily with the army of tipsters might be asked to put out a long stream of posters reaching from the Baroness's Head to the course, and worded: "9 Shots at the Double: Not One in the First 3." Oh, fiddle-de-dee!

I MUST get this one in. What about "LARRY, the man himself, tipping dust-bins? His three anonymous correspondents, "Disgusted," "Boo!" and "Fed Up" (Penzance), and "Bully the Mutt" (Bloomsbury) could run round in a circle throwing unstamped postcards to the four winds, while Jimmy Thomas kind the bookies by calling out the numbers of the horses that don't run.

Some turn for the Carlholme, surely.

SPACE—gimme the sunny side of the Alps!—is again at a premium, and I did want to say quite a mouthful about Ireland's steepchase plum, the "Red Cross," which will be run on Saturday. Have come to the conclusion that none can beat WEST POINT, so "up" he goes, "Alex," in your best type.

Nottingham races have been postponed from tomorrow until Tuesday, and Tuesday's programme abandoned.

Calling All Cars—

92, Long Acre,
London, W.C.

DR. LIVINGSTONE, I PRESUME!

Each Man

For Himself

WHY do men with violent prejudices try to foist their views—force, perhaps, is the word—on everyone else. Dictators are out of fashion in England, and it would be wise of a dogmatic Manchester City Councillor to realise this. He said, so it was reported, that all cats and dogs should be destroyed and people made to keep chickens instead.

He has every right, as a free Briton, to his own opinion, but he has no right to try to form ours for us, any more than we have his.

I could quite easily get the view that Manchester City Councillors should be destroyed and the Council Chamber floor sanded for the activities of poultry. Periodically folk get quaint notions. I recall some years ago in this same Manchester, a man used to push his child (or children) long distances in the family pram and claim "records" for it.

Not only that, but he would telegraph each new record to the Press. I can vouch for all this, because I made it my business to make my own paper, to see that his telegrams finished up where they properly belonged.

To revert to this cat and dog destroying chap, I should like to point out to him that millions of Britons, whose opinions count just as much as his—more so, maybe, because they don't talk tripe in addition—have a great affection for their cats and dogs.

Dogs are easiest of all animals to train, but it is true there are unruly canines to be seen about. But there are only children—and unruly City Councillors.

DR. LIVINGSTONE, I PRESUME!

IN case you listened in the other

night to the Controllah of Timbah you might like to know that the Controllah was talking about wood.

Oh, I Say,

Dammit!

THAT business of the impending standard suits for men has caused consternation amongst gossip writers and the West End clubs. When I looked in at the Senior Military and Navy I overheard Major K. N. Pepper carrying on alarmingly to a Rear-Admiral. "Dammit, old man, am I to be expected to walk about looking like a bus driver or something? I know what we would have done in Pondicherry in '89, dammit! The country is just going to pot, dammit!"

One of the gossip boys says the idea made him positively shiver as he passed his tailor in Pell Mell.

Money

For Jam

HAVING travelled the highways and byways considerably, I have not, as a result, been compelled to look upon the world as a place of great charity.

Yet I have found, as no doubt you have done, benefactors aching to help me: it is the one thing that will please them more than any other. They are all people with information from the horse's mouth, as it were, men with betting systems, and exclusive sporting advice who want to make MY fortune!

The mere fact that by following their own exclusive advice they themselves could readily retire and enjoy a lordly existence does not appeal to them. It is me (or you) they want to see placed, beyond worldly cares—as regards money, anyway.

Why I mention the matter now is that I have received a fervent appeal from "The Selector Syndicate" to take "an income from the Pools." Not only me, but all members of the Syndicate should (note the word) get worthwhile dividends in a steady stream. Their words, not mine.

The author of this "copyright" method" says he submitted payment vouchers totalling very many hundreds of pounds won by him last season to the Editor of "The People," amongst other editors.

Now he wants me (and you) to share the winnings instead.

Oh! I should add that the Editor of "The People" has no recollection of having seen those vouchers for "very many hundreds of pounds."

DR. LIVINGSTONE, I PRESUME!

WHAT a shame the war is on and we can't follow the Society Gossip as keenly as we used to. Capt. "Grimsy" Whitelaw is, however, a new one for your collections, chicks.

HERE THERE AND ANY OLD WHERE

By
Cecil Hadley

Did John

WHO killed Matthew Corbin? Have you been listening to the B.B.C.'s extremely interesting crime serial on Sunday nights?

I think "Seconds Out," your boxing writer, has told me the correct solution. John, the brother just home from South Africa, was the murderer.

Reasons: He was lying when he said the dead man had his hands above his head when he was shot. That was the waistcoat clue hinted at. Do you remember Arnold pointing out that the bullet had made a hole like a pencil through jacket, waistcoat and underclothes to the heart? It couldn't have done, had Matthew Corbin's arms been stretched above his head. His waistcoat would have been stretched up several inches. Try it yourself.

Motive: John wanted to remove the man who knew of the previous trial for murder against his fiancée.

We shall hear to-night, when the final instalment is to be broadcast.

DR. LIVINGSTONE, I PRESUME!

BAI the way, I don't want you to think this Dr. Livingstone business is anything to do with Mr. Stanley's arrival at the War Office.

SORRY, folks, no comments on: (1) Inspector Hornleigh (wax impression of a lock); (2) Unity Milford; (3) Mr. Hore-Belisha; (4) famous sportsman footballers who have got themselves safely parked on the Home Front. Will leave it at that. You obviously know the answers yourselves. Thanks for writing, all the same.

DR. LIVINGSTONE, I PRESUME!

IN REPLY

LETTERS RECEIVED—G.J.S. (Dalston), N.D.C. (Green Yarmouth), Whiz (London), S.W.I. (A.P. Jones), E.A.T. (St. Albans), J.C. (Leith), S.W.I. (Somewhere in France), B.B.C. (Barnes), B.B.C. (Three and two 7s), S.B. (Wilton-in-Wear)—The results you require are: B.B.C. 1, B.B.C. 2, B.B.C. 3, B.B.C. 4, B.B.C. 5, B.B.C. 6, B.B.C. 7, B.B.C. 8, B.B.C. 9, B.B.C. 10, B.B.C. 11, B.B.C. 12, B.B.C. 13, B.B.C. 14, B.B.C. 15, B.B.C. 16, B.B.C. 17, B.B.C. 18, B.B.C. 19, B.B.C. 20, B.B.C. 21, B.B.C. 22, B.B.C. 23, B.B.C. 24, B.B.C. 25, B.B.C. 26, B.B.C. 27, B.B.C. 28, B.B.C. 29, B.B.C. 30, B.B.C. 31, B.B.C. 32, B.B.C. 33, B.B.C. 34, B.B.C. 35, B.B.C. 36, B.B.C. 37, B.B.C. 38, B.B.C. 39, B.B.C. 40, B.B.C. 41, B.B.C. 42, B.B.C. 43, B.B.C. 44, B.B.C. 45, B.B.C. 46, B.B.C. 47, B.B.C. 48, B.B.C. 49, B.B.C. 50, B.B.C. 51, B.B.C. 52, B.B.C. 53, B.B.C. 54, B.B.C. 55, B.B.C. 56, B.B.C. 57, B.B.C. 58, B.B.C. 59, B.B.C. 60, B.B.C. 61, B.B.C. 62, B.B.C. 63, B.B.C. 64, B.B.C. 65, B.B.C. 66, B.B.C. 67, B.B.C. 68, B.B.C. 69, B.B.C. 70, B.B.C. 71, B.B.C. 72, B.B.C. 73, B.B.C. 74, B.B.C. 75, B.B.C. 76, B.B.C. 77, B.B.C. 78, B.B.C. 79, B.B.C. 80, B.B.C. 81, B.B.C. 82, B.B.C. 83, B.B.C. 84, B.B.C. 85, B.B.C. 86, B.B.C. 87, B.B.C. 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R.A.F. Drop Leaflets On Vienna And Prague CITIES EASILY SPOTTED IN BLACK-OUT



SOME OF OUR AIRCRAFT IN FRANCE

400 Red Bombers In Finnish Raids

MEAT RATION TO BE MORE THIS TIME

MR. HUGH WRIGHT, who from tomorrow will be in charge of the distribution of home and imported meat to shops throughout Britain, is in a cheerful mood about the ration. He knows it is going to be much larger than it was in the last war.

Until he was invited to the Ministry of Food, Mr. Wright was a popular butcher in Chelmsford. He has been six times mayor of that town.

"I do not know what the allowance is going to be," he said last night, "nor when rationing will begin, but I do know that we were very short of meat when we started rationing last time and that there is no comparison now."

MORE PLENTIFUL
"Meat was then 1d. a pound dearer, whereas, now it is 12d. and the allowance was 12 ounces or one shillingworth. So you can tell how much more you are likely to get this time with meat so much cheaper."

The Government's control scheme for tomorrow, when there will be no rationing, will be taken over by the Government, and meat will be sold to retailers, who will divide it among themselves.

RUSSIA'S AIR OFFENSIVE AGAINST FINLAND WAS INTENSIFIED YESTERDAY WHEN ABOUT 400 PLANES TOOK PART IN RAIDS.

Nine warplanes appeared over Helsinki, and towns and villages in the Rovaniemi region were bombed.

Two people were killed and 20 injured in the Helsinki raid. One bomb exploded in the courtyard of a hospital.

But the raiders did not all escape. According to one report a Finnish anti-aircraft shell hit a plane's bomb-rack.

It caused the missiles to explode and blew the machine to smithereens.

More than 70 bombs were dropped on Ivalo, on the shores of Lake Inari, one person was killed; three injured.

The Finnish radio yesterday continually warned civilians to be on their guard against spies and saboteurs, who are being dropped from Russian planes by parachute.

Last night's Finnish war communiqué said that the day was "quiet, except the usual patrolling activities along the whole front line."

"On the Eastern Front," the communiqué continues, "an enemy attack on our territory has been repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy."

Altogether twelve tanks and three armoured cars have been destroyed in different sectors on the Eastern Front during the day.

SEA: Coastal batteries on Lake Ladoga successfully shelled enemy concentrations and strategic points behind the enemy lines.

Air: The favourable weather conditions caused the enemy to make heavy air raids, especially against places in south-west Finland.

It can be stated that about 400 planes took part in these raids. Finnish aircraft carried out flights and attacks on marching Russian columns.

According to the Swiss radio, the High Command of the Leningrad district has issued an order of the day stating that the Red Army commanders prefer to let themselves be taken prisoner rather than fight.

"They will be held responsible as deserters," adds the order.

M.P.s AND BELISHA'S RESIGNATION

PARLIAMENT, which loves the clash of high personalities, will meet on Tuesday, expecting to hear the whole story behind the resignation of Mr. Hore-Belisha from the War Office.

Whether Mr. Hore-Belisha makes a personal statement or not, the Opposition will demand an explanation from the Government.

But no one, it is contended, can challenge the Prime Minister's absolute right to make changes in his Cabinet when he thinks fit.

His decision to change the head at the War Office is quite compatible with his expressed regard for and agreement with Mr. Hore-Belisha.

For it he found that in the carrying out of the Government's military policy there were frictions—for example, between the War Minister and the Generals—that were damaging to efficiency, then it was perfectly right to make an immediate change.

**FINNS COUNTER
SOVIET RADIO TRICK**

Helsinki, Saturday.

Measures to counter Russian propaganda broadcasts on the wave-length of the Finnish station at Lehti have been taken by the Finnish authorities.

"The Finnish Broadcasting Company," it was announced to-day, "are henceforth employing only announcers whose voices are known to the public. They will give their names before broadcasting. Listeners, be on your guard against enemy propaganda."

For foreign listeners, news broadcasts are given daily in English at 6.40 and 8.40 p.m. on wave-lengths of 49.02 and 31.58 metres, and again at 11.45 p.m.; 1.15 a.m. and 2.45 a.m. on 1.807 metres and 197 metres.—Reuter.

RECORD "FOUR-SOME"

Copenhagen, Saturday.

At Horsens, in Jutland, a cow has given birth to four bull calves. This extremely rare event was last recorded in Denmark over 100 years ago.

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TURKEY MARCHES WITH ITALY

defend the Danubian and Balkan order against possible Bolshevik encroachments for the same reasons that she generously and disinterestedly assisted the defence of order in Spain.

"This policy of Danubian and Balkan order demands that long-standing disputes should be approached at the opportune moment in a spirit of justice and understanding."

"This is why Italy wishes for a rapprochement between the various Balkan countries, a clarification of their problems and fair recognition of the conditions necessary for a new life of order and collaboration."

"These objects, always proclaimed by Signor Mussolini, and illustrated in Count Ciano's recent speech, have also inspired the Venice talks."

Italy is not confining her activities to the diplomatic sphere. Her military officers are in Hungary visiting Hungarian detachments near the Russian frontier in the Carpathians.

Germany, too, is taking a hand in the game of power-politics in the Balkans. According to a Reuter message from Paris yesterday, there is now close collaboration between the German and

GREATEST WAR FLIGHT OF ALL TIME

R.A.F. PILOTS, BACK FROM SPECTACULAR LEAFLET RAIDS ON VIENNA AND PRAGUE, TOLD LAST NIGHT WHAT GERMAN CITIES AND TOWNS LOOK LIKE IN THE BLACK-OUT.

In their 1,000 miles reconnaissance flights over Germany our pilots picked out—in addition to Vienna and Prague—Munich, Linz (Austria), Bratislava (capital of Slovakia), Frankfurt and Nuremberg.

Our bombers set different courses from their bases in France. Some made for Vienna, others for north-west Germany, some for Prague, others to patrol the Heligoland Bight. It was the greatest air flight of the war, and every part of Germany was covered.

The planes that flew to Vienna left on Friday night and arrived over the Austrian capital just after midnight. They were in the air nearly nine hours, long enough, at the speed at which they are capable, to have flown from England to America.

Germany, they reported, was thoroughly "blackened out," except for one large town near the Swiss border which was almost as "well lit up" as in peace time.

Austrian towns and villages could be discerned much more easily. Headlights of cars were not dimmed. Vienna itself was recognised without any trouble.

The fliers circled the city, dropped their leaflets and steering north-west, they made for Frankfurt, which was also circled.

LIGHTS O' VIENNA

Twisting beams of searchlights failed to pick up our aircraft in this region. One plane was picked up elsewhere, but had no difficulty in evading the light.

Leaving Frankfurt, the airmen changed course again and returned over the frontier a little to the north of their original entry.

The other aircraft, which followed a more direct course to Prague and back, were in the air rather less than eight hours. One plane turned back, before completing its mission, owing to engine trouble. After flying over the best part of Germany proper, the other planes split up and flew solo.

An officer who "paper-bombed" Vienna said: "We could even trace roads running through Austria and we saw the headlights of cars running along them. I am almost certain that at one point I saw a garage with a car standing against it."

"We circled the city and let fall our leaflets. We took the opportunity to drop copies of English newspapers. We saw Bratislava after leaving Vienna, and also a town which we decided must be Linz, with its munition factories."

A pilot whose objective was Prague said: "What struck me most, flying over Germany at night, was how extraordinarily desolate it appeared. Eastwards we met snow and seemingly endless mountains. I know we reached Prague because the city was patchy with light and its situation in the lap of hills could not be mistaken."

Another pilot chimed in, "An extraordinary thing was that we did not suffer from the cold—if anything, we were too warm. It was much colder when we got back to our base and ground level."

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED

"Another strange fact was that nobody interfered with us. We were always expecting something to happen, but nothing ever did."

"We passed over Munich, both going and coming. On the outward journey it was fairly well lit up, but on our return it was completely blacked out. We also picked out Nuremberg with its aerodrome. And after all that the flights were described as 'very uneventful.' The text of the leaflets is not available."

Rated by R.A.F. successes, the Nazis rushed out communiqués declaring that a British plane was shot down and another damaged in an attack on German destroyers in Heligoland Bight.

The facts, as revealed by the Air Ministry were that on Thursday our Coastal Command planes attacked three enemy destroyers twenty-five miles off the coast of Jutland. Bombs were seen to fall close to the destroyers. Our aircraft suffered no damage.

The Nazi leaflet also claimed that a Bristol Blenheim bomber was attacked near Luxembourg and shot down in flames on French territory.

That story was equally untrue. What really happened was this: Twenty thousand feet over the Siegfried Line and twenty miles from the frontier, a young Canadian pilot officer returning from reconnaissance saw four Messerschmitt 109's beating up to attack him. The enemy split into pairs and then attacked him one by one at an angle from below.

The Canadian put his aircraft into a steep dive and reached more than 300 m.p.h. But a relentless hail of bullets swept his machine. His observer was knocked unconscious.

A shell from one of the cannon guns of the Messerschmitt crashed into one of the aircraft. The fuselage was raked with bullets. Despite all this the pilot shook off his pursuers at 10,000 feet and escaped to land safely on an airfield.

'Unlucky 13' Scared the Brides!

WEST END register offices yesterday had one of the slackest Saturdays they have known for years. The reason was that it was the 13th.

For some years past bridal couples had seemed forgetful of the old superstition, but wartime has changed all that.

Appointments for several weddings had been made at six London offices, but were postponed at the last minute because brides and bridegrooms had decided not to take any chances on an "unlucky" date.

ESCAPED CONVICTS STILL FREE

From Our Own Correspondent
Plymouth, Saturday.

**SEARCH FOR THE THREE
DARTMOOR FUGITIVES,
MISSING SINCE WEDNESDAY
NIGHT, IS BEING CONCENTRATED
IN PLYMOUTH AND ITS
ENVIRONS.**

The convicts, who were missed after a chapel meeting in the prison, are believed now to have survived the intense cold and natural man-traps of the desolate moor, and to be lying low in or near Plymouth.

Since all three belong to London, a watch is still being kept against any attempt to "pick up" a London-bound train or "hitch-hike" to their old haunts.

The men are: William Nolan, aged thirty; Alexander Marsh, thirty-eight; and Alfred Sparks (alias Watson), thirty-eight.

20,000 JEWS TOIL IN SNOW

Copenhagen, Saturday.

Some 20,000 of Berlin's 95,000 Jews, including women and children, have now been put to compulsory manual labour, according to reports received here.

Danish newspaper correspondents in Berlin have seen Jews at work shovelling snow, building houses and repairing roads. Special parties have been formed of doctors and lawyers.

Berlin Jews are allowed no ration cards for clothes, as the Nazis say that since they formerly belonged to the trade, they must have plenty of cloth in reserve.—Reuter.

CARD-STAMPING FOR SKIMMED MILK NOW!

Berlin, Saturday.

Dairies throughout Berlin today handed their regular customers "skimmed milk identity cards," which, in future, they must produce and get stamped when buying their daily ration of skimmed milk, varying from one-third to half a pint.

Only children and pregnant or nursing mothers can buy real milk.—British United Press.

500 NAZI SEAMEN LEAVE NEW YORK

New York, Saturday.

Over 500 of the crew of the scuttled German liner Columbus, all of military age, are expected to leave for the West Coast by train tomorrow night—apparently on the first stage of their journey home.

Details of their itinerary are withheld. Elderly men, boys and stewardesses are expected to return to Europe in the Italian liner-Rex, leaving New York next Wednesday.

It was reported in Tokyo last week-end that the crew proposed to return to Germany by way of Japan and Siberia, presumably in an attempt to evade Allied interception.—Reuter.

NAZIS OVER BELGIUM

Brussels, Saturday.

Foreign planes, believed to be German, again flew over Belgian territory today.—B.U.P.

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The People
SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 1940.

PUBLIC OFFICIAL Says:

'My Sheet Anchor Is Yeast-Vite'

Brand Tonic
Essex.
November 11th, 1939.

Dear Sirs,
Many people have expressed to me their grateful thanks for the cure effected by that wonderful "pick-me-up" YEAST-VITE, so perhaps you will allow me to add my quota to those already published by you.

First of all, let me begin by stating that as a Public Official holding a responsible position which necessitates being on duty in all weathers, whenever I feel "run-down" or suffer from the effects of fever contracted on foreign service, my Sheet Anchor is YEAST-VITE.

I was in Malta, and was then slowly recovering from a bad attack of fever which had left me without strength or energy, and passing through Strada Reale, I noticed an advertisement in a chemist's shop window, which informed passers-by that "YEAST IS LIFE—try the lightest pick-me-up, YEAST-VITE." I went and purchased a 1/3 bottle, and I must say the contents of that bottle certainly "did the trick."

My colleagues have often wondered why I make such a rapid recovery after bouts of fever. I simply tell them to do what I do—Take a dose of YEAST-VITE. Nature's own remedy concentrated into tablet form. It is safe and prompt in effect. It never lets one down, that's why I always carry a bottle when on duty. It is real "first aid" to those who need permanent relief.—Yours faithfully,

(Signed) W. R.,
Housing Inspector.

Recovery At 71

Watford,
November 13th, 1939.

Dear Sirs,
I thought I would write and let you know the value of YEAST-VITE Tablets in our family. We have been taking them for several years.

I want to tell you about my mother-in-law who has been seriously ill since last May. When I saw her last August I did not think I should see her again, she was so weak and exhausted and could not sleep. She has just had an operation two months ago in hospital.

We decided to put her on YEAST-VITE. I am pleased to say that she is making a marvellous recovery and sleeps well. Her appetite is great. She is 71 next month and now we hope she will be with us for her golden year in the New Year.

I tell all my friends about my mother-in-law and they all decide to take YEAST-VITE.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) Mrs. M. L.

Why not try "YEAST-VITE" yourself if you suffer from Headaches, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Nerves, Indigestion, Sleeplessness, Constipation, obtain 1/3 bottle at once. If you don't feel better QUICKLY, simply return the empty carton to Irving's Yeast-Vite, Ltd., Watford, within one month of purchase and your money will be refunded. "YEAST-VITE" brand tablets 6d., 1/3, 3/- & 5/-.

Chapped hands
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"These objects, always proclaimed by Signor Mussolini, and illustrated in Count Ciano's recent speech, have also inspired the Venice talks."

Italy is not confining her activities to the diplomatic sphere. Her military officers are in Hungary visiting Hungarian detachments near the Russian frontier in the Carpathians.

Germany, too, is taking a hand in the game of power-politics in the Balkans. According to a Reuter message from Paris yesterday, there is now close collaboration between the German and

Rome the full support of Turkey, already allied to Britain and France, and the leading power in the Balkan Entente of Rumania, Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey.

In Ankara, the Turkish capital, Italy's efforts are hailed as affording double security for Turkey.

Turkey's political leaders (writes the A.P. correspondent) regard Italian moves as "unambiguous opposition to Soviet enterprise in the Danube Basin or in the Balkans."

Rome's efforts were regarded as virtually in complete harmony with Allied aims for a Balkan barrier to Russian and German expansion.

Turkey attaches the greatest importance to the conference in Belgrade on February 2 of the Balkan Entente countries, with Italy, Hungary and Bulgaria expected to maintain unofficial contact with the discussions.

Should that conference result in a united Balkan bloc any act of aggression in South-Eastern Europe will provoke formidable opposition. The nations concerned can put into the field several millions of well-trained and well-equipped soldiers.